Best Sunshine unveils transformative campaign

>> Sense of environment, community, and beauty inspire beautification campaign

Sustainability, community, beautification, and environmental awareness are core values behind a long-term, sustainable partnership between a company, its government and its people.

The latest initiative of the conglomerate behind Saipan's soon-to-rise multibillion integrated resort complex aims to prove its commitment to the people

Participants of Best Sunshine International Ltd.'s "Beautification Campaign" join BSI chief executive officer Mark Anthony Brown and Senior Vice President-Corporate Marketing Jacqueline Wu, center, following the launch yesterday of this transformative initiative that is aimed at the long-term care and protection of the natural environment.

Best Sunshine International Ltd., which is set to build a \$7.1-billion mega integrated resort complex on the

island, is jumpstarting a series of events in preparation for the massive tour-

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Voters go out for runoff race

By FERDIE DE LA TORRE

housands of voters head to the polls today, Friday, in a runoff election that is widely seen as an uphill battle for Heinz Hofschneider-Ralph N. Yumul against the machinery of Gov. Eloy S. Inos-Ralph DLG. Torres, which enjoyed a commanding lead in the last general elections and was bolstered by the endorsement of two losing gubernatorial candidates.

While thousands of supporters of losing contenders Juan N. Babauta (Ind) and Edward "Tofila" M. Deleon Guerrero (Dem) may seal Inos-Torres' victory, independent Hofschneider, he's been battle-tested in a runoff race. In the 2009 general elections, Hof-

schneider (then the Republican Party standard bearer) topped then-governor Benigno R. Fitial (Covenant) by a mere eight votes—the closest gubernatorial poll in the history of the CNMI. That however, "knows the game," saying paved the way for the first ever runoff race in CNMI electoral history.

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» Race seen as an uphill battle for Hofschneider >> 5,310 voted early in the CNMI



HOFSCHNEIDER

Inos, Heinz camps thank supporters

By MARK RABAGO

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With the 2014 gubernatorial runoff in full swing today, the campaigns of Gov. Eloy S. Inos/Senate Ralph DLG. Torres and former speaker Heinz S. Hofschneider/Ray N. Yumul took the opportunity to thank their supporters and urge the voting public to exercise their right to suffrage.

"Ralph and I want to thank again the thousands of supporters that have shown through their vote that they support Solutions-Driven Leadership. We

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October visitor arrivals increase by 12 percent

October 2014 visitor arriv- derway since Nov. 17. als to the Northern Mariana Islands jumped 12 percent compared to October 2013. According to the Marianas Visitors Authority, arrivals to the islands of Saipan, Tinian and Rota registered 35,587 visitors in October 2014, compared to 31,866 visitors received in October 2013.

Arrivals from China grew 55 percent in October to 13,963 visitors. Charter flights from the country were fully booked during China's National Day holiday from Oct. 1-7. To further stimulate demand, the MVA participated in the China International Travel Mart on Nov. 14-16, promoting the tourism resources of Saipan, Tinian and Rota.

Arrivals from Korea grew 10 percent in October to 12,557 visitors. The increase was largely due to Jeju Air's inauguration of direct flight service from Seoul beginning Oct. 1, providing an additional 1,323 air seats each week to Saipan. Also, Asiana Airlines resumed flight services to Saipan on Oct. 21 after a temporary suspension on Oct. 14-20.

Arrivals from Japan fell 19 percent to 6,511 visitors in October. However, Japan Airlines will operate two direct charter flights from Chubu Centrair International Airport on Dec. 27 and Dec. 30 using a Boeing 737 aircraft, providing 288 additional seats. The ing 43.39 on Oct. 31, 2014, tour will be sold exclusively by JTB World Vacations.

Arrivals from Russia fell 69 percent to 237 visitors in October following the suspension of direct flights in August. Established Japanese tour operator H.I.S. will commence charter flights to Saipan from Vladivostok and Khabarovsk beginning February 2015, with ticket sales un-

Economic highlights

In its most recent monthly economic report, the Japanese government said the overall economy was recovering moderately, though "weakness can be seen recently." Since that report, the country has slipped into recession. The yen appreciated against the dollar, from 109.42 yen to the dollar at the end of September, to 108.17 yen as of Oct. 29.

Korea's real GDP grew by 0.5 percent in the second quarter of 2014 compared to the previous quarter. Korea's economic recovery continues as industrial activity improves from a slump in April and May; employment remains stable. The South Korean won/dollar exchange rate rose 5.4 won over the past month to close at 1051.64 against the U.S. dollar.

Switzerland-based lender Credit Suisse said with its strong economic growth, rising asset values, and currency appreciation, China ranks third after the U.S. and Japan, in terms of number of citizens among the world's richest 10 percent. The value of the Chinese currency renminbi, or the yuan, weakened by 47 basis points to 6.1455 against the U.S. dollar in its central parity, according to the China Foreign Exchange Trading System.

The ruble/US\$ rate broke its historical maximums, reach-(+10 percent vs. Sept. 30, 2014, and + 33 percent vs. January 2014). Russian currency is negatively affected by the geopolitical situation in Ukraine. According to experts, GDP in 2015 will decline by 2 percent, economic growth will be at 0.8 percent, investments will decrease by 9 percent, and U.S. dollar will reach 44 rubles. (MVA)





Congratulations to Marcia Ayuyu as the new McDonald's franchisee

Veronica Kaneko, managing director of McDonald's Corp., recently announced that Marcia E. Ayuyu has been approved as an owner/operator for the two Mc-Donald's restaurants on Saipan.

"Marcia has worked in the for QSC and people is evident business with her husband and partner, Joe, since the beginning when the first McDonald's restaurant opened on March 18, 1993. Her passion

in the restaurants and in the community. She is humble, yet her accomplishments are many," said Kaneko.

In 2012, Ayuyu was recog-

nized as the Saipan Chamber of Commerce Business Person of the Year and, in 2013, she was awarded the "Star Rotarian" for being the most involved Rotary member in the community.



Ayuyu

Since 2005, Ayuyu has been a major sponsor of the "McDonald's All School Track & Field Competition," which involves all public schools.

"This is just one example among many of how Marcia builds the brand for McDonald's system in her community. Congratulation to Marcia on a very well-deserved accomplishment," Kaneko added. (PR)





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are so humbled by your support and we will not let you down." Inos said.

The governor also extended his appreciation to the Commonwealth Election Commission for a job well done not only in the Nov. 4 elections but today's Nov. 21 runoff as well.

"I want to take this opportunity to thank the hardworking people of the Commonwealth Election Commission for helping this election season move smoothly. We know there were some hiccups along the way but you all have done a great job ensuring that every voter is able to cast their ballot and have it counted."

The NMI Republican Party standard bearer also appealed to voters to allow him and Torres to continue their work in improving the local economy.

"For those that have joined our campaign over the last couple weeks, we welcome you with open arms and are so



Heinz Hofschneider is joined by supporters during yesterday's roadside waving along Beach Road in Susupe for today's runoff election in the CNMI.

your trust in our leadership.

thankful that you have placed Ralph and I humbly ask for your more to accomplish and we vote again today. We have much

know that with you by our side

ist influx expected by the year tourism project.

we will continue to move our

Commonwealth forward. Ralph

and I would also like to remind

election commission's regula-

tions so that everyone has the

ability to exercise their right to

vote peacefully and orderly,"

Committee-to-elect Heinz

S. Hofschneider and Ray N.

Yumul chair David Attao,

meanwhile, thanked all their

campaign's supporters as well

as those from other camps that

joined their cause because

they too are pining for change.

who have joined us in the

quest for change and we ap-

preciate all the help from our

supporters, the Babauta-Torres

supporters, and the Demo-

He said the night before the

election runoff, the Hofschnei-

der/Yumul team is confident

"I want to thank all those

he said.

As early as this week, the group is launching the initiative called "Best Sunshine's Beautification Campaign" that is centered on sustaining the islands' premier economic engine: tourism. Today marks the first day

Considered a transformative initiative, this campaign, along with the \$10 million CUC voucher that benefited 15,615 residential accounts, form part of BSI's comprehensive longterm contribution to be the island's corporate partner that supports the universal value, principle, and hope to inspire residents to take on social responsibility and advocacy for long-term care and protection of the natural environment.

The Beautification Campaign involves the cleaning up and preservation of the island's top tourist sites, with a goal of driving tourism while at the same time drawing attention to BSI's message of environmental awareness.

participating in the project.

Sunshine's additional contributions to the local community in addition to the \$10 million CUC voucher," said Jacqueline Wu, senior vice president, Corporate

road waving campaign, according to Attao. "We're very optimistic. We're hopeful. We need all votes we can get and absentee votes are very important to us as well. We're hoping to get a good advantage before the absentee votes are counted on

that they will finish ahead of

Proof of this is the more

part in yesterday afternoon's

their opponents.

the voters to please respect the than 1,000 people that took

Dec. 5."

Attao's message to everyone: "Be confident and be humble in what they do and their beliefs. Their vote is what's keeping them strong

He also thanked the Inos-Torres camp for giving them a good run in the general election as well as in today's runoff.

"We wish everyone the best of luck!"

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crats," said Attao.

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2016 when BSI opens its first

of the project.

The campaign recorded 196 people who signed up during the initial period. All candidates who signed up attended interviews and was assigned to a 12-day cleanup exercise that started today until Dec. 5, 2014. They range in age from 16 to 62 and come from multiple cultures: Chamorro, Carolinian, Filipino, Indian, Palauan, Chinese and Singaporean. Each day there will be about 30 to 35 people assigned to a designated location. By demonstrating BSI's token of goodwill, eligible participants will receive \$7.50 an hour by

"This project is one of Best Marketing. "We are here for the

long term, we are here for good. As a corporate citizen, we have our obligation to contribute to the betterment of Saipan. We listened to those valuable opinions and we answered. And we, the people and BSI, have to work together as a team. Involving our local residents is critical to ensure the success of our community projects. We would like them to commit to the sustainability of this project because in the end, everyone can benefit from a better environment, a better community."

"From the opinions we gathered today, all participants were pleased with participating the campaign and all are welcome to future involvement in BSI's community projects. This is a great inspiration for us," Wu added.

BSI's parent company, Imperial Pacific International Holdings, recently unveiled details about its five-phase development plan, which will include a total of 4,252 rooms, 300 villas, a 1-km retail street, a massive themed entertainment complex, 1,600 gaming tables and 3,500 slot machines.

"With this massive scale of development, there will be thousands of direct and indirect jobs created. The variety of job functions will awe everyone in the region: from hotel officers, golf course manager, engineers, theatre lighting operator, to water park ambassadors feeding dolphins or logistics handlers for the biggest names in Sports and Entertainment. Hence, to prepare our current workforce and future generations, one of the key areas BSI will focus on is education and training, beyond environmental protection," Wu said.

The projected \$7.1-billion price tag will surpass the budget for other mega casinos in Las Vegas or Singapore, as well as the upcoming Entertainment City project in Manila, Philippines. By then, the BSI integrated resort project is envisioned to rise as a landmark entertainment and recreation destination in the Pacific region. (BSI)

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Lt. Gov. Jude U. Hofschneider, second from right, and press secretary Angel Demapan, far right, take a photo with Dr. Brian Moyer, director of the Bureau of Economic Analysis, left center: Aya Hamano, BEA economist and project manager, right center; and Alfonis Sound, special assistant to the Secretary of Commerce and acting director of Statistics, far right, after a meeting on Capital Hill last Tuesday. In the meeting, Moyer and Hamano submitted a report indicating the GDP numbers of the Commonwealth in 2013 increased by 4.4 percent compared to numbers the previous year.

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In the ensuing runoff, Fitial and his running mate, Inos, won that race.

In the last Nov. 4 general elections, Inos and Torres, the Republican Party standard bearer, garnered a total of 6,342 votes, while the independent tandem of Hofschneider and Yumul got a total of 4,501 votes.

Inos got only 46.6 percent of the total votes cast, just about 4 percentage points less than the required 50-percent-plus-one rule that would have resulted in Inos being declared the winner outright, preventing a runoff election.

In this year's runoff, both Inos and Hofschneider are confident they will get the support of the majority of voters.

Hofschneider said yesterday that "with the turning of the tide and the momentum" he is very optimistic that he and Yumul will take the election.

Hofschneider said he trust the people, that their messages have gone out, making them realize what's at stake.

"I believe that we reached them and they are fully aware now of what is at stake here," said Hofschneider in an interview during his camp's roadside waving along Beach Road in Susupe yesterday afternoon.

Contrary to earlier promises of a clean campaign, the public has been treated to a barrage of political mudslingings by some supporters of both camps right up to the eve of the runoff race.

Schedule

Polls will open at 7am and closed at 7pm today.

The seven-day early voting in the CNMI ended yesterday at 4pm, with 800 voting on Saipan, 108 on Tinian, and 120 on Rota.

Commonwealth Election Commission executive director Robert A. Guerrero said the total number of early voters for the runoff is 5,310.

In the general elections, the total number of early voters for the CNMI was 4,471, according to official CEC election results.

Guerrero said they are wellprepared for today's runoff election.

"Come out and vote. Express your right to vote," he said in his message to people.

Guerrero said that voting will take place at the same polling sites as the general election.

He disclosed that they added some election booths in Kagman and in Garapan to accommodate more voters and to eliminate crowding.

Regarding absentee ballots, Guerrero said they will count what they will get today. Friday. and the remaining will be counted late afternoon on Dec. 5.

He explained that absentee ballots have to be postmarked on or before election day and have to be received no later than 14 days after the election to be valid.

"So the 14 days is 5th of December," Guerrero said.

In the general election, the total number of absentee ballots was 2,280. Inos-Torres was strong with 1,186, compared to only 649 for the Hofschneider-Yumul team.

Guerrero said a boat left yesterday to get eight votes from the Northern Islands.

Manual counting will be tonight at the Pedro P. Tenorio

Multi-Purpose Center in Susupe.

To maintain peace and order, Department of Public Safety Commissioner James C. Deleon Guerrero said they will be doing the same thing they did in the Nov. 4 general elections.

Despite the fact that there are only two candidates for this runoff election, Deleon Guerrero said the number of polling places that have to be opened are the same as with the general election's.

"So the same amount of resources will be committed to the election," he said.

The commissioner said part of the election plan is to make sure they install traffic cones, for example, on roadways so the people do not speed up.

He said there will be roving patrol officers that will go from one polling place to another just in case any of the supporters from any of the camps get out of hand.

Deleon Guerrero said he again assigned Sgt. Jose Saures to supervise the operations for the runoff election.

Elections in the CNMI are traditionally generally smooth and peaceful.

High court halts trial court proceedings in Ogumoro case

By FERDIE DE LA TORRE

The CNMI Supreme Court has stopped the Superior Court proceedings in the case against former Department of Public Safety deputy commissioner Ambrosio T. Ogumoro until the resolution of his petition before the appellate court.

Associate Justice John A. Manglona said Ogumoro's petition raises a serious question: Whether a judge must recuse from a trial after making a probable cause determination.

"Additionally, the balance of hardships tip sharply in favor of the moving party: the parties are at risk of expending significant amounts of time and money to go through two trials if a stay is not granted," said Manglona in a one-page order issued Monday.

The Office of the Public Auditor charged Ogumoro with moro's petition is pending.

15 criminal charges for his role in, among other things, shielding then-attorney general Edward Buckingham from being served with penal summons in August 2012.

The jury trial of Ogumoro and his co-defendants, former Commonwealth Ports Authority police chief Jordan L. Kosam and former CPA police captain John T. Rebuenog, was supposed to start on Monday.

Ogumoro has filed a petition for a writ of mandamus or prohibition that questions, among other things, Superior Court Associate Judge David A. Wiseman's authority to preside over the trial since he already made a probable cause determination in the case.

Last Nov. 13, Ogumoro and the government filed a joint motion asking the CNMI Supreme Court to suspend the Superior Court proceedings while Ogu-

In his order, Manglona said a stay is warranted if the moving party shows that a combination of probable success on the merits and the possibility of irreparable injury, or serious questions are raised and the balance of hardship tips sharply in favor of the moving party.

Manglona said the joint motion satisfies the second option.

Last Nov. 7, Wiseman declined to dismiss the criminal charges against Ogumoro and Kosam, saying the two patently ignore the crucial fact that the court exercised its inherent authority to appoint a special prosecutor to handle this case, and as such, each and every ground they cited for dismissal is without legal or factual merit.

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Wiseman found their arguments to be meritless, incredulous, and nearly sanctionable.

Aside from Ogumoro, Kosam, and Rebuenog, OPA also filed criminal charges against former governor Benigno Fitial and Fitial's former personal driver and bodyguard, Jermaine Joseph W. Nekaifes, for their participation in shielding Buckingham from being served with penal summons.

Superior Court Associate Judge Kenneth Govendo has

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against Nekaifes. Wiseman recently dismissed the charges against Fitial.

Last Feb. 19, Govendo found Buckingham guilty of all pub-

already dismissed the case lic corruption charges except one and sentenced him to 3.5 years in prison, all suspended. Govendo recused from presiding over the cases against the remaining defendants.





Fresh meat now available at Garapan Public Market

The Marianas Meat Harvesting Co. has set up shop beside the Garapan Public Market.

Isidoro Cabrera, secretary of the CNMI Farmer's Cooperative Association that runs the market, called it a "a plus" as customers will also have the option to buy meat when they visit the market.

Company president Hong Kyun Kim said their company, which owns a slaughterhouse in Lower Base, will provide local and fresh beef, pork and soon, fish. He presented one butcher slicing a fresh slab of USDAstamped beef.

The store, adjacent to the market, will be also selling

items like noni tea, coconut oil. noni soup, and coconut soup.

Hong emphasized that his products are "all local" and "all made in Saipan."

The shop will be open Monday to Sunday from 2pm

Kim said he would like to be more involved with local agriculture. He said in January, he would like to invite farmers to see his slaughterhouse.

"We really want to purchase from farmers," he said.

The meat company is renting its space from the market. Hong said they have paid for two years of rental out of a six-year agreement. (Dennis B. Chan)





Heinz-Yumul team holds forum for the 'manhoben'

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dennis_chan@saipantribune.com REPORTER

Gubernatorial candidates Heinz Hofschneider and Ray Yumul held a Q&A of sorts for young voters at their headquarters on Wednesday night, with topics ranging from utilities and energy, to healthcare and tourism.

Hofschneider opened the talk saying that the "future is in the balance," and hoped the event would relieve attendees of doubts they may have about the two candidates.

When asked what changes he would make to the hospital, he said the hospital's management is "not according to law" and that he would give it the right amount of money it needs.



Hofschneider

on to say the Constitution demands that the CNMI 'never under-appropriate" for such

things as education, health, and public safety. He believes the CNMI government has failed in this under Gov. Eloy Inos tenure

"We cannot ration healthcare," he said.

As for his plans for the retirement fund, he said his plans were to "pay it, pay it, and pay it on time and in full." He claimed the current administration has "paid zero to retirement" in the last nine



rob them."

CNMI has a commitment retirees and that "you do not

said

What are his plans to improve the Commonwealth Utilities Corp.? Hofschneider explained that the CNMI is "just a speck" and "always at the mercy of bigger economies" like China when it comes to setting oil prices. Therefore, wind and solar power are the best options for the islands.

He pointed to Guam where

convert their power to 30 percent renewable energy before the military buildup there. He said CUC should "stop listening to vendors and listen to professionals."

On tourism, he said Saipan has the potential to become the best destination site. He said it was all about "wordof-mouth," building good infrastructure and maintaining the cleanliness of the islands to do this.

"You don't need to spend \$7 million on [the Marianas Visitors Authority]," he said.

Hofschneider also told the crowd that he did not attend the Saipan Chamber of Commerce gubernatorial forum because of "four political scientists" that were hired

say thereafter." He said they sent a letter to the Chamber to hold off on a forum until the

Hofschneider called Inos' campaign a "deception" and asked the crowd if Ralph Torres is qualified to be the next

He asked the crowd if they knew how much the CNMI government is in deficit.

"\$700 million deficit," he said, answering his own question and pointing his pen at the crowd. "It's you who are going to pay for it."

Workshop on Form W-2CM

This is to advise all employers that the Division of Revenue and Taxation, Department of Finance will be conducting a workshop for the Annual Wage and Salary Statement, Form (W-2CM) for tax year 2014 and other 2014 yearend filing requirements. The workshop will be on Tuesday, Dec. 16, 2014.

The first seminar will be

from 8am to 11am and the second will be from 1pm to 4pm at the Multi-Purpose Center.

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Senate confirms Michael Pai as public auditor

By MARK RABAGO

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The Senate last Wednesday confirmed Gov. Eloy S. Inos' reappointment of Public Auditor Michael Pai to serve another six years at the helm of the Office of Public Auditor.

All eight senators present, including newly sworn in Sen. Sixto Igisomar (R-Saipan), voted ves to pass the Committee on Executive Appointments and Government Investigation's recommendation to confirm Pai.

"I'm truly grateful to be confirmed by the Senate for a second term. It's truly an honor," said Pai in a telephone interview with Saipan Tribune yesterday.

The public auditor, who has lived in the CNMI since the 1980s, said once the House of Representatives also confirms his reappointment, he and his staff at OPA will begin formulating a plan for the next six years.

"I'm waiting for the House to do their confirmation but once that's done we're putting

a plan for the second term but no specifics yet. We don't have any specific plans yet. We're just planning to make a plan at this moment."

Pai

Pai, for starters, said he would like to focus

on closely looking at the fiscal and financial records of the Commonwealth Healthcare Corp., Department of Public Safety, and the Public School System.

"I guess for every government public auditor there are three main areas of government that is important to the people and these are public health, public safety, and public education. The public auditor should look into these areas."

Press secretary Angel Demapan said the Inos administration is glad the Senate swiftly confirmed Pai as public auditor.

"The administration pleased to see the confirmation process has been set in motion by the Senate. With the approval of the Senate, Mr. Pai's nomi-

approval from the House of Representatives."

House Speaker Joseph P. Deleon Guer-(Ind-Saipan) said he has scheduled a session on Tuesday

to tackle Pai's confirmation. He

doesn't expect any rough sailing for Pai's confirmation in the lower chamber.

In presenting his committee's report, EAGI chair Sen. Francisco Q. Cruz (R-Tinian) said it is the intent of his committee to assure the reappointment of Pai.

"After much deliberation based on the overall assessment of Mr. Pai's credentials, experiences, testimonies, and other relevant issues considered, the committee is convinced that Mr. Pai possesses the qualification and leadership skills necessary to serve as the

CNMI's public auditor." "In summation, EAGI recommends that the Senate give its advice and consent to confirm Mr. Michael Pai to serve as the public auditor subject to his drug test result."

Aside from Cruz and Igisomar, also present during Wednesday's Senate session were Senate President Ralph DLG. Torres (R-Saipan), Senate floor leader Pete Reyes, and Sens. Francisco Borja (Ind-Tinian), Joaquin Borja (Ind-Tinian), Victor B. Hocog (R-Rota), and Jovita Taimanao (R-Rota).

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MHS seniors to take part in Start Smart seminar

Marianas High School seniors will be out on Monday, Nov. 24, 2014 for the annual Senior Start Smart seminar at Saipan World Resort.

Students' permission slips will be placed in your box and will also be available in the counseling office. The permission slip is a passive consent and does not need to be turned in if they plan to attend. If the student does not want to attend the event then they can submit the letter to the counselor on Monday morning. (PR)



BSI's Brown calls political ads false, 'incompetent'

By DENNIS B. CHAN

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Best Sunshine International is nonpartisan and finds recent political ads linking them to this year's political fray to be "false, misleading, and incompetent," according to president and CEO Mark Anthony Brown.

In an interview yesterday, Brown was upset over two full-page ads in both newspapers tying them in claims against gubernatorial candidate Gov. Eloy Inos.

One advertisement accused Inos of distributing the \$10 million utility vouchers—provided by BSI under a contracted Community Development Fund—a day before the election to swing votes. The other

ad, asking "Who Benefits?", essentially claimed that BSI would pay no taxes for the next 40 years.

"That group needs to explain to me why you are tying us to a certain side, when we've not given one dollar, we haven't done anything. We don't care who wins really. We only care that the people whom they vote for, that's who we want to win. That's it," he said.

Brown said for someone to keep tying them to the political race is a "total waste of money."

"This negative group...what are you trying to accomplish? Do you want us to go home? Okay. What did you accomplish? Nothing," he said.

Brown said he does not know the group that's responsible for

the ad and is not interested in meeting with them.

"It's total misrepresentation," he said of the ads. "No. 1, I don't know who they are, and No. 2, I couldn't care less who they are because they are obviously very incompetent and not very knowledgeable about whatever they are talking about. That's someone I don't really want to meet."

Brown said BSI is "doing everything we possibly can" for the people who live on these islands, citing the launch of their beautification program and the money that will be provided by BSI under their contracted Community Benefit Fund.

Once construction work on the casino is underway, BSI is required to contribute \$20 million to education, scholarships, infrastructure, healthcare, or employee retirement benefits.

They are also required, after their first full year of operation, to put in \$20 million a year for these community benefit programs.

"We're going to have something that's going to change this island for everyone, with jobs [and] infrastructure. It's going to be incredible for Saipan," he said.

The advertisements Brown was referring to came from the committee to elect Heinz Hofschneider and Ray Rumul.

SHEFA board leery of possible impact of casino law

By JAYSON CAMACHO

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With the passage of the casino law, concerns have been raised whether the Saipan Higher Education Financial Assistance will still have the funds it needs to run the program after April 2, 2015. This is because the casino law mandates the Commonwealth to stop issuing new or additional licenses for pachinko, poker or other similar amusement machines after that date.

The casino law, Public Law 18-56, Section 2302(d), states that "after April 2, 2015, no new or additional licenses for poker, pachinko or similar amusement machines, but not including electronic gaming machines as defined in 6 CMC 3154(a)(4), shall be granted or allowed to operate outside of the approved casino establishment, hotel, or La Fiesta within the Third Senatorial District."

However, all licenses issued for poker, pachinko, and similar amusement machines that began operation prior to April 2, 2015, shall be allowed to continue to operate.

That means SHEFA will have to rely solely on the revenue brought in by existing poker machines. And with poker arcades slowly being phased out from villages, there is a possibility that SHEFA will run out of funds in the next couple of years.

Lawmakers appropriate some \$3 million in poker license fees to SHEFA every year. SHEFA provides financial assistance to some 500 or more students both on and off-island.

The SHEFA board met yesterday morning to discuss whether the new casino law will benefit or hurt the program but the discussion was later tabled due to the absence of SHEFA vice chair Jose Mafnas.

SHEFA administrator Merissa S. Rasa said that Mafnas has more information on the status of SHEFA after April 2, 2015, and what will happen to SHEFA in the long run.

SHEFA board member Juan K. Tenorio said they should also discuss alternative sources of funding for the scholarship program.

SHEFA board chair Josephine T. Sablan said that looking into the matter is vital because they still haven't fully digested whether it will hurt the financial assistance given to students and the office itself.

Board member Ursula L. Aldan was also present at the meeting.



Casting call for FOA production

There will be a meeting on Monday, Nov 24, between 6pm and 8pm at the MHS Dolphin Theater for those who would like to take part in the Jan. 16, 17, and 18 production of the FOA's tribute to vaudeville and music hall called *I'm Not Rappaport.* (FOA)

CCA board meeting on Nov. 25

The Commonwealth Cancer Association's board of directors will be holding its regular meeting on Tuesday, Nov. 25, 2014, at 3:00pm at the CCA conference room. Agenda includes reports from the president and program updates. All board meetings are open to the public. For more information, contact the CCA at 682-0050 or email at





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Commonwealth with you since Garamonte has been a 1985... waitress at Fiesta

Resort & Spa since January 2011. Her duties include attending to all guests who approach the restaurants immediately, cordially, and with a smile; taking orders effectively and efficiently and serving meals quickly, and handling all customer inquiries or requests in a polite, efficient manner.

Trina

"This is my second job. Before, I worked at a small coffee shop. My mom wanted $\,$ me to change jobs, so I decided to try at Fiesta Resort & Spa. When I tried it, I found it's very good.

66 My mom and dad support me working here.... "

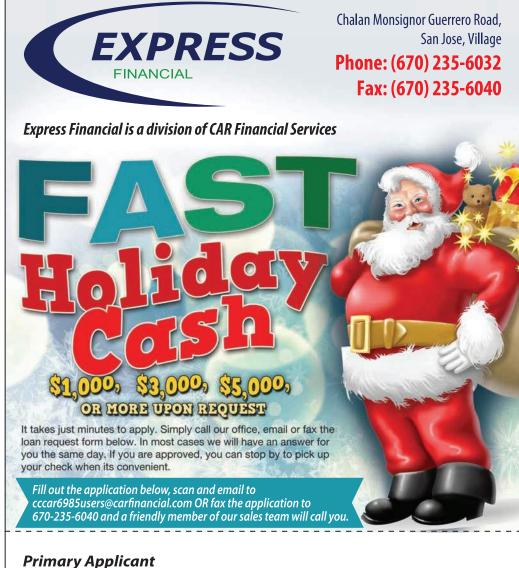
I get to meet a lot of people. Hotel service can be hard at first, especially as some customers are hard to understand. We communicate with different people and nationalities...Japanese, Koreans, Chinese, Russians. I can

speak a little Japanese. Some guests have a hard time communicating, especially the Chinese, because they don't know much English. Sometimes it's hard to make them understand pricing, so I have to ask my supervisor to help me talk with them.

I tell people, it's better to go out and find a job and get experience instead of staying home, doing nothing, and not learning anything. Some of them tell me it's hard to work at a hotel because it's a 24-hours-a-day job. But my job is easy. My mom and dad support me working here. I have a daughter, so it's a little bit hard, but if I need help, my parents help me."

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Trina Garamonte Waitress, Fiesta Resort & Spa





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UN should keep up the drumbeat against North Korean atrocities

hen a United Nations report on human rights in North Korea was released early this year—including hundreds of interviews with victims of and witnesses to killings, torture, starvation, enslavement and sexual violence—the panel that produced it urged the international community to take quick and forceful action. Among those interviewed was Shin Dong-hyuk, the only person known to have been born in a North Korean prison camp and to have escaped, which he did eight years ago.

For years, human rights groups and defectors had told stories of unimaginable conditions in those prisons: inmates forced into hard labor, starved so badly that they would catch snakes and mice to eat, tortured, sometimes for no reason at all. But the report put the imprimatur of the United Nations on the subject. If North Korea—which refused to cooperate with the panel or let its members into the country—won't accept its responsibility to protect its people, then the rest of the world must do so, the commissioners wrote.

On Tuesday, the U.N. General Assembly will vote on a resolution citing the report and calling on the government to end the atrocities that have made North Korea "a state that does not have any parallel in the contemporary world." Of course, condemnation alone won't make the notoriously hermetic government end its abuses or dismantle a network of prison camps housing an estimated 80,000 to 120,000 people. But the more global support for the resolution, the less North Korea can dismiss the criticism as the work of its enemies. (At the moment, North Korea denies that the camps even exist.)

The resolution also calls for action by the Security Council, including, possibly, a referral to the International Criminal Court.

Why should we expect Supreme Leader Kim Jongun's response to be anything more than "you and what army"? Because the resolution keeps up the drumbeat—and puts pressure on China, North Korea's main defender on the world stage, to reconsider its unsavory alliance. Interestingly, North Korea's release of two American political prisoners last weekend is widely viewed as a response to pressure from the U.N. report.

An amendment has been put on the table by Cuba that would remove two key paragraphs from the resolution, including the reference to the International Criminal Court. This amendment should be voted down.

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The human choice to be

e quoted Kris Kristofferson's words previously wailed by Janis Joplin: "Freedom is just another word for nothing else to lose," a typical Teutonic starting point of the "nothing" perspective. Shakespeare in *Hamlet* offers the choice: "To be or not to be." It finally does not matter where one begins or ends. "No-thing" is a creation of the mind, a psychological apparition; "to be" is concrete and material.

Lovers tend to count the petals of a flower: "She loves me, she loves me not." Or, in private, she does the opposite. "Not" is a left-over of a previous era of idealism, set against an "ought," an ideal, rather than congruent to what is, the real.

In our time, the preoccupation is with the facticity of "being and becoming" brought about by the scientific understanding that existence requires both narratives of "substance and process." Nature is seen as both "matter and force, atomic and energy fields."

Political discourse in a previous generation was about "freedom from," understood as liberation from an external stranglehold but reflective of an internal desire to be, like the call for liberation from Uncle Sam's military cuddle, or from ISIS cutthroat methods. "Freedom to" longs to create and innovate one's path and direction. I've called that the "wellness unto life"!

It is in this last sense that we take freedom to be a human choice, a banner for being and becoming, a step further than just be liberated from social limits imposed by the accidents of birth. "Liberation from" in historical telling is usually accompanied by social upheavals told through a loud narrative, thus more noticeable compared to the muted and personal manner that being-and-becoming touches when it hits our soul and the apex of a transformative shift.

This may be too abstract for many who still chase identities away from, or dictated by, societal prescriptions, like those in our geoneighborhood not yet free until they determine the terms of hosting a U.S. air base. Freedom embraces the facticity of one's life now, bound by the genesis and terminus of unique cellular life in a specific place, at a particular time, with chosen roles to play, and more importantly, of taking the option to relate and demonstrate the substance and process of one's existence in all its concrete uniqueness and glory. Uncle Sam does not determine our freedom. We do. Nor does Tokyo do Okinawa's. Ryukyans do!

In a culture that puts a premium on personal relationship rather than ideology (Mao guarded power personal relations, accused of encouraging a personality cult in his later years), keeping one's public "face" unblemished before others is an art form. Today, it means that the 3G smartphone has the whole of China talking in the train and on the bus, in the plain and on the plateau, by the river and on

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the hill, walking on the road and on sidewalks, even vehicle drivers while driving!

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The human choice is no longer just negating the forceful and coercive dictates and influence of others. It is taking available assets and plotting out a direction totally of one's choosing. In China, that means personal connection to influence decisions in the financial health of one's household and kin.

China goes after abusive powers and unexplained wealth. Bo Xilai, former mayor of nationally administered municipality of Chongqing (the others are Beijing, Tianjin and Shanghai) and a charismatic member of the Politburo, was caught abusing power by covering up for his wife's murder of a British colleague. His high profile case, the first judicial proceeding to go on public display, signaled what was thought to be just a symbolic gesture to pacify drooling laptops and media lapdogs; it turned out to be the new SOP.

Xi Jinping drums up the democratic and egalitarian elements of the China Dream, the CPC on anti-corruption measures, and the bounds of the rule of law, with equal force. The three loci of power in China are the military, energy, and finances. To date, he took down top heads of the military and the energy field. He's got finance next, even if the current head is protected (might even go down with him) by no less than former president Jiang Zemin.

After orchestrating the conduct and content of APEC 2014, PM Li Keqiang took off for the ASEAN gathering in Myanmar while President Xi Jinping went to the G20 in Australia, drumming up the civilizational refrain reflected in a peoples' style and profound national understanding of the middle "kingdom" of Zhongguo, of always maintaining a balance of differing forces in partnership and cooperation.

We use China in our narrative but we refer to all humans in the planet, regardless of the circumstances of social milieu. We are born free. It is the exercise of freedom that makes us human. The choice "to be" is not about being safe and secure on top; it is about having the courage to expend one's being away, investing it with care so others may also be free to be. The option to choose is human.

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Words from the cozy cadre

s the printed word continues to succumb to the e-word, old-school fans of the paper-and-ink world (remember that?) are wondering if they'll be able to tally any survivors at all. I was wondering about this tally myself. Well, I sure picked the right season to mull it over, since Santa Claus gave me the answer.

And the answer is: catalogs.

My mail box if full of them, especially during the holiday, oops, I mean the "shopping," season.

As I watch the demise of print, I've begun to regard catalogs like a biologist regards a surviving species among the bones of the extinct. I can't scientifically prove any cause-and-effect, but I can note some of the survivors' characteristics and draw some conclusions.

Before taking a look at their plumage, though, I'll note that their evolution has run for a long time. The Sears catalog, long a mainstay of life in the U.S., hit the scene in 1888, first as a specialty catalog (watches) but soon as a general catalog offering household items and, in fact, entire houses.

The sun set on the general catalog in 1993, though Sears still sends specialty catalogs (e.g. for tools).

Although I was aware of the Sears catalog when I was a kid, I don't think we often, if ever, ordered from it. What turned my friends and family into catalog shoppers were clothing outfits such as L.L. Bean and Lands' End.

A few decades ago, these were a natural fit with toll-free numbers. You'd call the number, and, using the catalog for reference, place your order. It was easy. You could also fill out an order form and mail it in, but I don't recall ever doing that myself. These days,

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And, just to connect some dots, I'll note that Sears bought Lands' End in 2002, but, last I heard in early 2014, Sears was cutting it loose again. I never understood that marriage to begin with, but retailing seems to operate on its own psychedelic logic.

But now we get to the part that really interests me about catalogs: the writing. A good catalog is a compelling piece of communications. Some of the best-written material I see is catalog copy. I think this is why the top print catalogs still enjoy such popularity, and such devotion, even in today's electronic times.

If you put focused, warm and well-written copy on a written page, you're going to get readers. Yes, even if you're trying to sell them something.

One of the famous names in that school of thought was David Ogilvy, who lived from 1911 to 1999, and who is often called the father of modern advertising.

Here's a quote attributed to Ogilvy, and I like it because is shows how he favored the practical over the pedantic:

"I don't know the rules of grammar. ...If you're trying to persuade people to do something, or buy something, it seems to me you should use their language, the language they use every day, the language in which they think. We try to write in the vernacular."

To which I say, yep, darned straight.

Here's another compelling aspect of catalogs: themes. I mean stuff like holidays, summertime, and so on. This doesn't make a catalog a narrative, but it can sure set the scene and provide a

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texture and characters. The characters are, of course, the models; they're sometimes posing solo, sometimes as happy couples, sometimes as smiling families.

So, this time of year, when you thumb through the catalog pages, you'll see the woodsy guy or gal in the rustic cabin, the energetic kids frolicking in the snow, and the entire family snug and cozy near the living room fireplace.

Heck, if I could step inside a catalog and live there, I would. But in the meantime, I'll content myself with the Ultra-Thick Yarn-Dyed Egyptian-Grown Hand-Picked Combed-Flannel Button-Down Long-Sleeved Shirt. So I'll just put it on the credit card, and, presto, I've earned admission to the living room's cozy cadre.

I don't know anything about photography, graphics, or layout, but it must be quite the science for catalogs. The good ones make it look easy. The mediocre ones, by contrast, sure demonstrate the hazards of the craft.

It's easy to dismiss communications as a mere footnote to business, but in the industries I've been involved with I've often seen superior products fail because of inferior marketing and communications. Even really smart people can be totally tone-deaf to this stuff.

I always favor buying stuff locally when possible, but even merchants who depend on local, face-to-face sales can mine catalogs for some nuggets of good communications techniques. After all, if you want to survive, study the survivors. The lessons are free, even if the Combed-Flannel shirts aren't.

Our Way' definitely matters!

ake away the politics of this day and you will see the larger picture behind the curtain: "Our Way of Life" or the "Ways of Others" under casino bosses.

Heinz Hofschneider jealously guards "Our Way" of others" life as indigenous people of these islands. Inos the "ways of others"

life as indigenous people of these islands. Inos the "ways of others" with prominence placed on moneyed casino friends. He's ready to embrace a legacy of permanent destruction of indigenous cultural traditions with his casino policy.

This is the most important issue you must decide upon today. It's about the future of our children: Keep it by voting for Heinz or destroy it by check marking Inos. It's your decision!

Inos and casino cronies have failed us by showing complete arrogance and disrespect for our sense of values and justice to remain the chief navigator of our canoe. No concerns that their agenda is well set for the permanent destruction of our way of life.

If Inos' casino policy pans out, then give the children of the indigenous people less than 30 years before they begin to realize that "home" has become a "foreign" land to them. This is my fear of the unintended consequences of casino on a very tranquil island today. It would be impossible to turn back the hands of time by then.

Our cultural tradition is our lifelong vehicle that has kept us together through the years. Its erosion via a half-cocked casino policy is very troubling. Remember the family novenas and joyful songs in the homes of families and friends especially around the holiday season? Do we also kiss this *adios*? Do we trash our cultural heritage?

I appreciate our culture of communal sharing—helping our very own—with what little we have, especially with the less fortunate. This is especially a powerful gift coming straight from our hearts. It is a religious culture that has kept us together in both calm and storm for over five centuries. This aspect of our culture makes us uniquely what we are as indigenous people of these isles. It's now hanging helplessly at a suicide cliff.

With a rat race in casino land, this part of our culture would quickly fade into history as we busy ourselves trying to earn a living in casino joints. We become more concerned with the needs of the individual self over the wellbeing of everyone else around us. We lose grip of what has kept us a unique group of people.

I refuse to allow a condition that forces our children into the poverty of spirit because we ignored their future wellbeing. They would have lost everything, subsequently saying unto themselves, "I remember we were a part of our land upon which our cultural traditions were founded." I know that such regret in the midst of confusion would be complete devastation, though late in every sense. Why deny them a meaningful life in the true spirit of their tradition?

Our culture is a permanent part of our way of life. Like a woman, does she forget the baby in her womb? Do we now trash what has been ours since time immemorial? This is our last chance to hold unto "Our Way of Life." A vote for Heinz and Ray would grant us the opportunity to regroup and re-chart an organized future in pros-

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perity for our children. Si yuus maase '!

The day after...

A certain camp would be celebrating while the other ponders the loss of political mileage to rule under a given set of agenda. By dawn tomorrow we would have heard the voice of the people with finality!

Definitely, there's room to reassess where things may have gone right or wrong. I'd probably be floored by the continuing malaise crawling out of my brain I've dubbed the Great Depression.

I tried to rewire the nerves upstairs for fear of instantly replaying vivid memories of hopelessness and inadequacies in my younger days often slammed about in subterranean abject poverty. It's tough sailing the paralyzing hardship that gripped me for years.

The malaise has similarly derailed the hopes and aspirations of our young people quizzing what lies ahead. Collectively, we must derail and erase hopelessness in their mind. Let's offer them a brighter break of dawn. I still am hopeful we're walking together toward it (new break of morn) and look forward to seeing your faces beaming with hope this coming Saturday morning.

Of peace and safety?

For citizens who wish to carry handguns for personal protection, it is truly your right to do so. I'm sure you wish we could maintain the way things have been. But the cold-blooded murder and disappearance of people in recent past had us thinking long and hard whether this island community is safe at all. Perhaps it's time to start carrying handguns for personal and family protection.

Someone has gone to court challenging the local law on concealed weapons. I support the right of the individual who places his safety and members of his family first over local law that is useless especially at a time when heinous crimes have gone up. I mean DPS comes around half-an-hour or so later when something serious happens. With a gun, I'd stop the creep dead cold in his track!

So what good is a law that turns upright citizens into victims? Hell, I'll also search to retrieve my right to bear arm. It's my constitutional right and no amount of misguided mouth-off about peace in the community would help. After all, I've dealt with robbery in my house (over 15 years ago) and all that DPS said is "we will investigate." That was the first and last time I saw them. Are they still investigating?

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Governor's message

I want to take this opportunity to thank the hard working people of the Commonwealth Election Commission for helping this election season move smoothly. We know there were some hiccups along the way but you all have done a great job ensuring that every voter is able to cast their ballot and have it counted.

Ralph and I also want to thank again the thousands of supporters that have shown through their vote that they support Solutions-Driven Leadership. We are so humbled by your support and we will not let you down.

For those that have joined our campaign over the last couple weeks, we welcome you with open arms and are so thankful that you have placed your trust in our leadership.

Ralph and I humbly ask for your vote again today. We have much more to accomplish and we know that with you by our side we will continue to move our Commonwealth forward.

Ralph and I would also like to remind the voters to please respect the Election Commission regulations so that everyone has the ability to exercise their right to vote peacefully and orderly.

Gov. Eloy S. Inos

Capital Hill, Saipan

'Inos is just the same as Fitial'

Inos is following Fitial's steps. He hired the same campaign manager that Fitial hired, Jason Osborne. He has the same campaign chairman that Fitial had, Greg Kachuma Camacho. He kept Fitial's "special advisers" Esther Fleming and Buniag and other Fitial followers. He is going to give Juan Babauta and Edward DL Guerrero high-paying government jobs again for their endorsements, just like in 2009. Voting for Inos is the same as voting for Fitial all over again. Nine years is more than enough of failed leadership. The CNMI doesn't need more suffering. Let IT be over!

Antonio Aldan

Kagman, Saipan

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The Weather

5-Day Forecast for Saipan and Tinian



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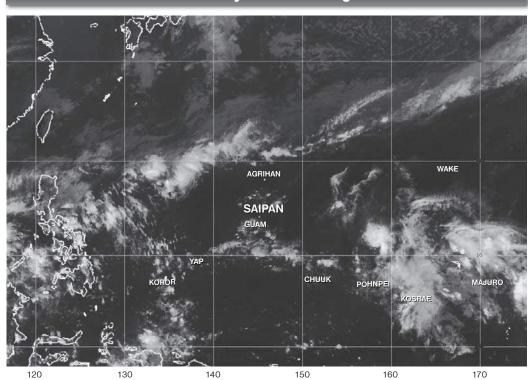
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A cold front extends southwestward through 25N164E to south of Minami Tori Shima at 22N154E then continues as a shear line through 18N130E. Clouds and rain are found along and north of this boundary to beyond 25N. Scattered showers and a few thunderstorms are seen along and up to 50 miles north of the shear line west of 140E. A weak surface trough south of Guam is generating scattered showers and isolated thunderstorms south of Guam within 125 miles of a line from 12N143E to 9N153E. Low-level convergence is producing widely-scattered showers and a few thunderstorms near Palau and Yap within 100 miles of a line from 11N143E to 9N135E to EQ135E. A surface trough curves northeastward from 5N161E to 8N171E. Cloudiness, scattered showers and isolated thunderstorms are seen over Kosrae and near Pohnpei and Kwajalein within 225 miles of a line from 2N165E to 11N162E to 10N173E. Another surface trough extends northwest across the dateline at 3N to east of Maiuro at 7N176E. Scattered showers and isolated thunderstorms are present east of Majuro east of a line from 8N175E to 2N175E

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| UA5068 | 8:40am | | 1, 2, 4, 5, 6, 7 | UA5071 | 7:15am | 8:0 |
| UA5039 | 2:20pm | | 6, 7 via Rota | UA5039 | 1:00pm | 1:5 |
| UA5078 UA5038 | 3:10pm 3:10pm | 4:00pm 4:00pm | 1, 5 2, 4 | UA5038 UA5077 | 1:10pm 1:50pm | 2:4 2:4 |
| UA5040 | 6:55pm | | 1, 5 | UA5041 | 5:35pm | 6:2 |
| UA5078 | 8:35pm | | 2, 3, 4, 6, 7 | UA5077 | 7:15pm | 8:0 |
| | 10:40pm | 11:30pm | 1, 5 | UA5043 | 9:20pm | 10: |
| SAIPAN-RO | • | <u>'</u> | | GUAM (GU | | |
| UA5039 | 2:20pm | 2:55pm | 6, 7 | UA5038 | 1:10pm | 1:4 |
| ROTA (ROP) | | (GUM) | | ROTA (ROP | • | N. |
| UA5039 | 3:25pm | 4:00pm | 6, 7 | UA5038 | 2:05pm | 2:4 |
| SAIPAN-PAI | LAU (RC | DR) | | PALAU (RC | R)-SAIP | AN |
| DL287 | 6:05am | | 2, 6 via NRT | DL298 | 4:30am | 3:0 |
| SAIPAN-NA | RITA (N | RT) | | NARITA (N | RT)-SAIF | PAN |
| DL287 | 6:05am | 8:40am | 1, 2, 4, 5, 6 | DL298 | 10:25am | 3:0 |
| DL297 | 4:20pm | 7:05pm | Daily | DL288 | 8:55pm | 1:2 |
| SAIPAN-SEC | • | | 4 | SEOUL (ICI | • | |
| OZ606 OZ606 | 2:10am 2:40am | 6:00am 6:30am | 1 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7 | OZ603 7C 3402 | 9:00am 10:10am | 2:2 |
| OZ604 | 3:20pm | | Daily | OZ605 | 7:40pm | 1:1 |
| 7C 3401 | 4:30pm | 8:20pm | Daily | OZ605 | 8:10pm | 1:3 |
| SAIPAN-BU | SAN (Pl | JS) | | BUSAN (PL | IS)-SAIP | AN |
| OZ608 | | 6:20am | 4, 7 | OZ607 | 9:00pm | 1:5 |
| SAIPAN-SH | | · / | | SHANGHAI | <u> </u> | |
| 3U8648 | 6:10am | 8:40am | 1, 4, 5, 7 | 3U8647 | 10:30pm | 5:5 |
| SAIPAN-BEI | | • | | BEIJING (P | • | |
| MU764A MU764 | 1:30am 1:30am | 5:30am 5:30am | 4, 7 1, 5 | MU763A MU763 | 4:30pm 4:30pm | 12: 12: |
| SAIPAN-GU | | | 1, 0 | GUANGZH | | |
| 3U8646 | | 7:30am | 2, 6 | 3U8645 | 7:55pm | 3:1 |
| SAIPAN-MA | | | 2,0 | MANILA (M | | |
| OZ606/701 | 2:10am | 11:15am | 1 via ICN | OZ704/603 | 12:10am | 2:2 |
| OZ606/701 | 2:40am | 11:15am | 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7 via ICN | PR110/UA5041 | | 6:2 |
| UA5069/PR111 | 2:45am | 4:50pm | 1, 3, 5, 6, 7 via GUM | PR110/UA5077 | | 8:0 |
| UA5070/191 UA5070/191 | 4:15am 4:15am | 7:20am 9:00am | 2, 7 via GUM | PR110/UA5043 DL172/288 | 7:35am 9:40am | 10: 1:2 |
| UA5070/191 UA5070/183 | 4:15am | 8:45pm | 3, 6 via GUM 2, 5 via GUM | UA190/5077 | 9:40am 9:55am | 8:0 |
| UA5070/183 | 4:15am | 9:10pm | 1, 3, 4, 6, 7 via GUM | UA190/5077 | 10:00am | 8:0 |
| DL287/473 | 6:05am | 9:50pm | 1, 2, 4, 5, 6 via NRT | OZ702/605 | 12:30pm | 1:1 |
| UA5071/PR111 UA5071/PR111 | 6:40am 7:15am | 4:50pm | 3 via GUM | OZ702/605 | 12:30pm | 1:3 |
| UA5068/183 | 8:00am | 4:50pm 9:50pm | 1, 5, 6, 7 via GUM 3 via GUM | UA184/5071 UA184/5071 | 10:55pm 10:55pm | 7:3 8:0 |
| UA5068/183 | 8:40am | 9:30pm | 2, 5 via GUM | UA184/5039 | 10:55pm | 1:5 |
| UA5068/183 | 8:40am | 9:50pm | 1, 4, 6, 7 via GUM | UA184/5038 | 10:55pm | 2:4 |
| UA5039/183 | 2:20pm | 9:50pm | 6, 7 via Rota-GUM | UA184/5077 | 10:55pm | 2:4 |
| UA5038/183 UA5078/183 | 3:10pm 3:10pm | 9:30pm 9:30pm | 2 via GUM 5 via GUM | UA184/5041 UA184/5077 | 10:55pm 10:55pm | 6:2 8:0 |
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| UA5038/183 | 3:10pm | 9:50pm | 4 via GUM | UA184/5071 | 10:59pm | 8:0 |

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| OZ606/721 | 2:10am | 11:50am | 1 via ICN |
| OZ606/723 | 2:10am | 12:50pm | 1 via ICN |
| OZ606/721 | 2:40am | 11:50am | 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7 via ICN |
| OZ606/723 | 2:40am | 12:50pm | 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7 via ICN |
| UA5070/179 | 4:15am | 10:35pm | 1, 3, 5, 6 via GUM |
| UA5068/179 | 8:00am | 10:35pm | 3 via GUM |
| UA5068/179 | 8:40am | 10:35pm | 1, 5, 6 via GUM |
| UA5039/179 | 2:20pm | 10:35pm | 6 via Rota-GUM |
| UA5078/179 | 3:10pm | 10:35pm | 1, 5 via GUM |
| OZ604/749 | 3:20pm | 10:30pm | Daily via ICN |

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| UA5069 | 2:45am | 3:35am | Daily |
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| UA5071 UA5071 | 6:40am 7:15am | 7:30am 8:05am | 3 1, 2, 4, 5, 6, 7 |
| UA5039 | 1:00pm | 1:50pm | 6, 7 |
| UA5038 | 1:10pm | 2:40pm | 2, 4 via Rota |
| UA5077 | 1:50pm | 2:40pm | 1, 5 |
| UA5041 | 5:35pm | 6:25pm | 1, 5 |
| UA5077 | 7:15pm | | 2, 3, 4, 6, 7 |
| UA5043 | 9:20pm | 10:10pm | 1, 5 |
| GUAM (GUI | M)-ROTA | (ROP) | |
| UA5038 | 1:10pm | 1:45pm | 2, 4 |
| ROTA (ROP |)-SAIPA | N | |
| UA5038 | 2:05pm | 2:40pm | 2, 4 |
| PALAU (RO | | | _, . |
| DL298 | 4:30am | | 2. 7 vio NDT |
| | | 3:00pm | 3, 7 via NRT |
| NARITA (NR | • | | |
| DL298 | 10:25am | 3:00pm | Daily |
| DL288 | 8:55pm | 1:25am+1 | 1, 3, 4, 5, 7 |
| SEOUL (ICN | I)-SAIPA | | |
| OZ603 | 9:00am | 2:20pm | Daily |
| 7C 3402 | 10:10am | 3:30pm | Daily |
| OZ605 OZ605 | 7:40pm | 1:10am+1 | 7 |
| | 8:10pm | 1:30am+1 | 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6 |
| BUSAN (PU | | | 2.2 |
| OZ607 | 9:00pm | 1:50am+1 | 3, 6 |
| SHANGHAI | (PVG)-S | SAIPAN | |
| 3U8647 | 10:30pm | 5:50am+1 | 3, 4, 6, 7 |
| BEIJING (PI | EK)-SAII | PAN | |
| MU763A | 4:30pm | | 3, 6 |
| MU763 | 4:30pm | 12:30am+1 | 4, 7 |
| GUANGZHO | | | |
| | 7:55pm | 3:10am+1 | 1, 5 |
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LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

A message for Eloy

Yesterday, in the Saipan Tribune, your IT campaign had to turn to hunting for skeletons of my past with Heinz. It came as no surprise, since you, Eloy Inos, cannot show ay credible action taken by your Eloy Inos administration to tackle the serious issues of high power bills, rampant crime, failed health care, malfeasance and so on.

Since it is incredibly difficult for you to understand, I will explain it carefully to you in this message. I am supporting the Heinz-Ray tandem because they have that vision to bring about change to give our Commonwealth a future we can be proud of. I repeat, I am supporting the Heinz-Ray tandem because they have that vision to bring about change to give our Commonwealth, a future we can be proud of.

I could lead our people to all the innumerous and infinite skeletons in your closet when you were in charge of Finance. But that is not what this election is all about. This is an election that will decide the future of my children and all children of the Commonwealth. Heinz and Ray offer the hope and aspirations that we have lost in the last 10 years of incompetence and malfeasance of your administration. Your administration has failed to serve the people of the Commonwealth. I want a future that all of our people of the Commonwealth can be proud of. That is a future that unfortunately, you, Eloy, and your supporters are having difficulty comprehending.

This is why I am supporting th eHeinz & Ray tandem.
Thank you.

Ramon 'Kumoi' Deleon Guerrero

As Perdido, Saipan

That's IT

That's IT, we need someone who makes things happen, to stop creating useless dramatic agenda that does not benefit us. We are tired of listening to all your critics and accusations of other leaders. We need someone who is willing to work together and make things happen. We need a governor who addresses issues that need to be done. We need one with a positive attitude, someone who doesn't fight but listen and offer solutions.

Like I said, many of our leaders that we voted for are judging other leaders' performances and forgot that we voted for them to work together to make our community a better place to live. So, if you want to help make the CNMI a better place to live, then vote for IT. They don't judge others but look for ways to make things happen.

Biba IT! It's time for IT.

Winnie Atalig

San Jose, Tinian

Where are we in 40 years?

As I was driving along Beach

Road in San Jose and Susupe, I saw placards that read "40 years, no tax." A spark in my brain said that Best Sunshine won't pay taxes for the next 40 years. Then what? Casinos will be built, mega resorts will be in, investors, gamblers, tourists of all kinds will be attracted. This situation will lead to a mix of all kinds of people, particularly people who are taking the opportunity to get rich quick.

While Sunshine will do business without tax, the CNMI will need to provide all that is needed for people to live well in the community, using available sources of revenue to maintain the infrastructure and all the services needed by the people in the community.

Now let us see the chang-

es that could happen. From a quiet, peaceful, rural, friendly community, we will become a highly developed, urban community. What could happen is the once peaceful, quiet, sleepy community will turn into a place of crime. We will need to strengthen and

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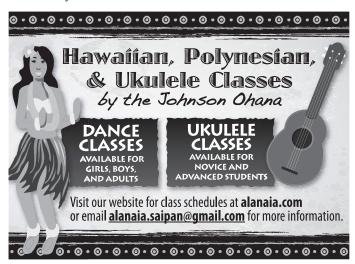
expand our police, health care, education, public utilities and other government services.

To provide these services to the community, we'll need money to hire people and build infrastructures. Well need lots of money to run the community with the new sets

of needs brought about by a highly urban community. We can project what is to happen in 40 years. Are we going to be better off or are we going to be miserable? The real losers are our children.

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Alicia Genisca, M.D. Pediatrics

The Medical Associates of the Pacific is pleased to welcome Alicia Genisca, M.D., Board Certified in Pediatrics to our community.

Dr. Genisca completed her undergraduate degree at Johns Hopkins University and her medical degree at



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Hasselback: OPA has authority to file charges vs Fitial

By FERDIE DE LA TORRE

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Office of the Public Auditor legal counsel George L. Hasselback insists that OPA has the authority to file criminal charges against former governor Benigno R. Fitial because it was the Superior

Court itself and the Office of the Attorney General that granted that authority.

Hasselback is asking Superior Court Associate Judge David A. Wiseman to reconsider his recent order that dismissed the criminal charges against Fitial.

In his dismissal order on Nov.

6, Wiseman ruled that OPA has no authority to file the charges against Fitial, now a private citizen, and that the attorney general retains prosecutorial authority over such an action when the defendant is not currently in office.

In the government's motion

for reconsideration, Hasselback asserts that he has two independent sources of authority to investigate and prosecute the charges.

The four charges are related to the police escort provided to former attorney general Edward Buckingham on Aug. 3 to 4, 2014, allegedly to shield or prosecuting any violations him from being served a penal summons.

Hasselback pointed out that Wiseman himself appointed him on Aug. 17, 2012, as a special prosecutor "to ensure the fair administration of justice."

That appointment, Hasselback said, was specifically limited to the investigation and prosecution of matters or persons that are connected to or relevant to the charges filed by the government against Buckingham.

Hasselback said this appointment was specifically intended to empower him to investigate and, if need be, prosecute any persons that "unlawfully aided Buckingham in attempting to avoid service of process" on Aug. 3-4, 2012.

He said there has been no further order from the court modifying or rescinding the authority granted in the Aug. 17, 2012 order.

Therefore, Hasselback said, when Wiseman dismissed all charges against Fitial last Nov. 6, he was still a special prosecutor appointed by the court to investigate and prosecute any unlawful activity related to Buckingham's escort.

Hasselback also cited that on July 3, 2013, then-AG San Nicolas appointed him as a special assistant attorney general. The appointment, he pointed out, was specifically "for the purposes of investigating and/

of criminal law stemming from Buckingham's flight from the Commonwealth."

Again, there has been no modification or rescission of this appointment, Hasselback said.

In fact, he said, current Attorney General Gilbert Birnbrich has confirmed that the July 3, 2013, designation letter remains in full force and effect and that he (Hasselback) remains a special assistant attorney general for the purposes of "investigating and/or prosecuting any violations of criminal law stemming from Buckingham's flight from the Commonwealth."

Therefore, Hasselback said, when Wiseman dismissed all charges Fitial, he was still a special assistant attorney general appointed by the AG to investigate and prosecute any unlawful activity related to Buckingham's escort.

By its own terms, the dismissal order is rendered erroneous, Hasselback said.

OPA filed 13 charges against Fitial. The charges are related to the unauthorized release of a federal inmate, award of a sole-source American Recovery and Reinvestment Act contract, shielding of Buckingham from being served with penal summons, and the execution of a power purchase agreement contract related to the Commonwealth Utilities Corp.

Fitial pleaded not guilty to all charges.





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Design Florist offers nohassle Christmas trees



hristmas needs its Christmas trees, and Design Florist has plenty.

Walk into Design Florist located at the Cabrera Center along Beach Road and find Christmas trees as tall as 12 feet, fully decorated and displayed entirely throughout the store.

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He also knows how busy life can get around the holiday season and how much of a hassle to our schedules—and our pockets—setting up a perfect Christmas tree can be.

This is where Design Florist comes in. With its more than 125 trees rented out each year to offices and homes on island, Cabrera and designer Alvin Dedal are eager to help you and your family find the perfect Christmas tree that fits you.

Dedal likes to blend in with clients, hearing their tastes and seeking out what they'd like in a tree. One year, Dedal had a unique request to outfit a tree with baby items because a newborn was on the way during the holiday season.

Flower-themed trees for nature-lovers are also available on request. Right now, Christmas trees for rent come in many different colors: frosted, off-white, purple, bronze, black, red, and green trees.

Ornaments also can be clearwhite, or different shades of blue, as well as pink or purple, silver, chocolate, bronze, and other colors.

"Our colors are almost unlimited," Cabrera said, speaking of the vast array of choices the store can offer.

"You will get your money's worth. Our trees are practical and affordable, small and elegant, or large and bright," he said. "When they go out, they've got to look beautiful."

Customers get to a look at a Christmas tree's final touchup before they are delivered to homes or offices. Design Florist will also set up the trees for you.

For a fully decorated Christmas tree, prices range from \$75 to \$350. For the full-décor home packages (garlands, swags, centerpieces, etc.), prices are from \$300 to \$1,500.

Design Florist also sells livepotted poinsettias. Cabrera encourages customers to call in and make orders in advance.

The new arrival of the livepotted poinsettias will be in stores on Nov. 26 and on Dec. 16. Get your orders while supplies last.

But this goes for the rental trees as well. Cabrera expects orders to come in quick and fast from their frequent clientele. One year, initial stocks were sold out by Veterans Day!

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OSHA On-Site Consultation Program area chief visits NMI

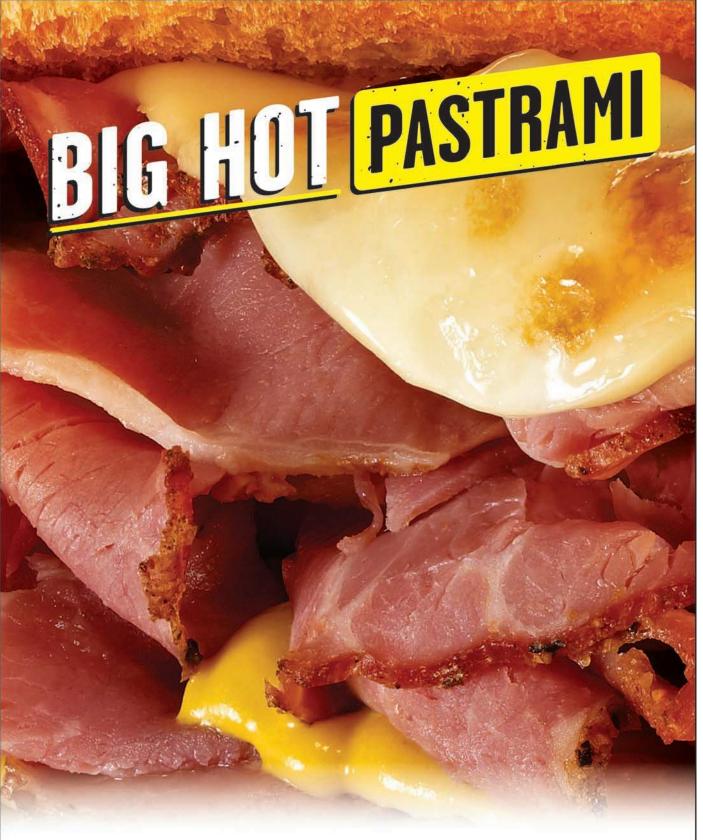
Jeff Romeo, Area Director of the Occupational Safety and Health Administration's On-Site Consultation Program, visited the CNMI on Oct. 20-21, 2014.

It being his first trip to the CNMI, Romeo focused his visit on informing the community about the free OSHA On-Site Consultation Program by speaking before the Society of Human Resources Management, arranged meet-and-greet visits to key sector principals dealing with contractors such as the Depart-

From left, CNMI OSHA On-Site Consultation Program safety consultant Vincent Camacho; OSHA On-Site Consultation Program area director Jeff Romeo; Program administrative assistant Elaine T. Pangelinan; and Secretary of Labor E dith DeLeon Guerrero.

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ment of Public Works, Commonwealth Utilities Corp., Northern Marianas Housing Corp., Hotel Association of the NMI president Nick Nishikawa, Rotary Club of Saipan president Laila Boyer, CNMI Military Liaison in relation to the military buildup activities, CNMI leaders such as Lt. Gov. Jude U. Hofschneider, Senate President Ralph Torres, and House of Representative members Richard Benavente and Edmund Villagomez.

The OSHA On-Site Consultation Program is a cooperative agreement under the provisions of Section 21 (d) of the Occupational Safety and Health Act established since June 29, 2003, between the U.S. Department of Labor OSHA Administration and the CNMI Labor Department. (PR)

Local dance troupe to offer open registration

This is to inform the general public that Simiyan Mañainata, a non-profit organization aimed at promoting the Chamorro culture through visual and performing arts, will be holding open registration this Saturday, from 10:30am to 12:30pm, at the American Memorial Park Amphitheater. The group, which specializes in Chamorro dance, will be registering children between the ages of 5 and 11, and 14 to 18 who want to foster an interest in indigenous cultures here in the

Parents are encouraged to bring their children to participate in a free demonstration of basic Chamorro dance steps. Registration begins at 10am, with demonstration beginning at 10:30am, with a \$20 fee to enroll your children and a monthly fee of \$5 per child. For information, call Elaine Cabrera, board chair, at 989-6714, or L.J. Castro, creative director, at 483-1027, or e-mail the group at simiyan670@gmail.com. (PR)

SAIPAN TRIBUNE FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 21, 2014 19



I am **Heinz Sablan Hofschneider**, the Independent candidate for governor. I am Chamorro, Yapese, Refaluwasch and German American and I am Proud of it.

I am Ray Naraja Yumul, the Independent candidate for It. governor. And I am Chamorro and Filipino American and proud of it.

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We are here to tell you that if you live here, you belong here. This is our home. And our home is in trouble. We need your help.

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Please Vote <u>RIGHT</u> this Run-off Election.

Please Vote for **heinz** and **ray**.

From the Desks of Governor Inos and Senator Ralph Torres

Dear People of the CNMI:

Ralph and I are so humbled and thankful for the thousands of voters who voted in the general election for us. For those that have already voted in the early voting for the Runoff Election **thank you!**

Ralph and I know that our work together over the past 20 months has produced real results. We pledge to all of you that if elected we will represent **ALL** the people as we fully implement **Solutions Driven Leadership!**

We are **thankful** to the thousands of you that have turned your back on the negative attacks against us personally.

- We thank you for standing up to Discrimination.
- We thank you for saying NO MORE to the spreading of lies and distortions.
- We thank you for supporting our poslTive Campaign and we will not let you down!

For those that are voting today we humbly ask for your vote.

Please VOTE #1 on the LEFT

Sincerely,

Governor Eloy S. Inos and Senator Ralph DLG Torres



NMI leaders lay out welcome mat for Japanese students

By JAYSON CAMACHO

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Four Saipan leaders welcomed more than 120 students from Hiroshima Johoku Junior and High School at the Hafadai Beach Hotel's Fiesta Hall on Wednesday afternoon.

Lt. Gov. Jude U. Hofschneider, Senate President Ralph Torres (R-Saipan), Rep. Antonio Sablan (Ind-Saipan), and Saipan Mayor Marian DLG Tudela represented the islands' leadership at the reception.

Hofschneider, who spoke on behalf of Gov. Eloy S. Inos, said: "Over 100 of you are here to both take in the sights and sounds, as well as share a little about what makes you special with our residents who have graciously welcomed you into their homes and their hearts."

Hofschneider told the students that they share a common history dating back to the time before World War II.

"I thank you for becoming new additions of that relationship which has spanned for some us, an entire lifetime. It is through activities such as this that camaraderie is strengthened, and lasting memories created," he said.

Hofschneider also thanked the local families that are playing host to the students.

In her remarks, Tudela thanked the students for visiting Saipan, saying tourism is the driving force behind the CNMI's economic engine.



INVSON CAMACHO

Hiroshima Johoku Junior and Senior High School assistant principal Hiroshi Kujita, left, Lt. Gov. Jude U. Hofschneider, center, and Saipan Mayor Marian DLG Tudela pose for a photo during a welcoming reception at the Hafadai Beach Hotel on Wednesday.

Sablan spoke about what the House of Representatives does and his role in the Legislature. Torres did the same, speaking about the Senate and how he, the governor, lieutenant governor, and the House of Representatives work together for a better CNMI.

The Johoku students then listened to several Japanese resileaving today.

dents who talked about their jobs and what they do here on Saipan.

One Japanese student said he learned a lot during his visit here and enjoyed his stay with his host family.

The group arrived on Monday for a cultural exchange and homestay program and will be leaving today.

Brilliant Star to host annual Holiday Bazaar this Dec. 7

The 10th annual Holiday Bazaar, organized by Brilliant Star School, will be held Sunday, Dec. 7, from 9am to 5pm at the Fiesta Resort and Spa Saipan in Garapan. The event is an opportunity for artists and other vendors to showcase their arts, and for island residents and visitors to get an early start on buying unique and beautiful gifts for the holidays. The daylong event will also be graced by performances throughout the day by various community cultural and arts groups, as well as raffles with prizes generously donated by community businesses.

"We're looking forward to another year of showcasing our island's arts, crafts and gifts. We still have a couple of tables available for any interested artists or vendors," said Antonina Banes, one of the event organizers. Interested vendors may contact the school at 323-STAR (323-7827).

In the past, shoppers have commented on the convenience and comfort of finding such a variety of island gifts in a single place ahead of the holidays. The Holiday Bazaar has been likened to a mini-Flame Tree Arts Festival.

For parents who would like to have a little alone shopping time, the event features an arts and crafts area for children. We will watch your child and help them with an art project while you do your holiday shopping.

Throughout the day there will be entertainment from local performers and raffles. Raffle prizes have been donated through the generosity of various island businesses and vendors.

"Every year we look forward to host this event at the Fiesta Resort," said Richard Sikkel, principal of Brilliant Start School. "We expect a vibrant crowd from our school and island community because this event provides quality shopping and gets us all in the holiday spirit."

Of course at this all day event, Fiesta lunches, snacks and drinks will be available for purchase.

"We look forward to welcoming the community, once again, to this wonderful event which opens the holiday season on Saipan," said Sikkel. "We would like to extend our warmest invitation to the community and visitors to our fun-filled holiday event." (PR)







he Northern Marianas Coalition Against Domestic & Sexual Violence, along with the Family Violence Task Force would like to take the opportunity to express its sincere gratitude and appreciation to all the individuals, organizations, and companies who generously took their time out to contribute to the 2014 Domestic Violence Awareness Month campaign, last October. Your support significantly made a difference and we couldn't have done it without you.

Special thanks to the brave individuals who inspire us with their stories of strength, courage, and hope.

We also salute the hard working advocates, first responders, and service providers who continue to be a life line to victims and survivors of domestic violence.

Thank you, Si yu'us Ma'ase, and Ghilisow for standing alongside to Rise for Peace and being that Change in our commonwealth. We hope that you will continue to speak out against domestic violence throughout the year. We all deserve to live in a safe community, one that is free of violence.

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- Tom Thornburgh
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- Welcome Market
- Zackery Cabrera



Travel agents from Korea visited the latte stones of the House of Taga as part of their tour of Saipan and Tinian on Nov. 15, 2014, on a FAM tour jointly organized by Asiana and the Marianas Visitors Authority.

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The Marianas Visitors Author- Hotel & Casino, Aqua Resort ity and Asiana Airlines held a FAM(iliarization) tour of Saipan and Tinian on Nov. 12-16, 2014, with team leaders of major travel agencies in Korea. During the tour, the group met with hotels and resorts and divided into teams to find new attractions to promote in the Northern Mariana Islands (NMI).

The tour participants represented Hana Tour, Mode Tour, KRT, Interpark, Bomul Tour, Lotte Tour, Lotte JTB, Redcap Tour, Very Good Tour, and Asiana Airlines.

The group made inspections of Laolao Bay Golf & Resort, Coral Ocean Golf Resort, Pacific Islands Club Saipan, World Resort, Fiesta Resort & Spa, Hyatt Regency Saipan, Mariana Resort & Spa, Tinian Dynasty

Club, T Galleria, and Hard Rock Café. An island tour of Tinian was also made. Accommodations were provided by Laolao Bay Golf & Resort and Tinian Dynasty. The group also took time for a brainstorming and discussion session on the development of new tour packages for the islands.

"With the increase in direct flights in October 2014 from Korea to the NMI, this is an excellent time to host FAM tours for travel agents to help build demand," said MVA Marketing Manager Bruce Bateman.

The NMI expects to see a small increase in the number of visitors from Korea this year based on flights availability and the country's healthy economy. (MVA)

Judge dismisses criminal case vs ex-hemodialysis technician

» Defendant agrees to pay CHCC over \$10,819 in phone calls she made to her boyfriend in Chuuk

By FERDIE DE LA TORRE

Superior Court Presiding Judge Robert C. Naraja has dismissed the theft case filed against a former hemodialysis technician who made several long distance personal calls to Chuuk State, where her boyfriend lives, using the fax machine at the Commonwealth Health Center.

Naraja dismissed with prejudice the case against Carmen Lisua Eina at the request from the Office of the Attorney General and the defendant. That means the government cannot re-open the case anymore.

The information charged Eina with one count of theft for making unauthorized long distance phone calls from a CHC

fax machine between October 2010 and January 2011.

Assistant attorney general Heather P. Barcinas and Chief Public Defender Douglas Hartig, counsel for the 37-year-old Eina, agreed to ask the court to dismiss the case after Eina agreed to pay a \$10,819.10 judgment in favor of the Commonwealth Healthcare Corp.

Eina has agreed to pay \$100 per month to CHCC until the judgment is paid in full.

CHCC's civil lawsuit against Eina contained the same allegations.

According to assistant attorney general Reena J. Patel in the lawsuit, Eina resigned on Feb. 7, 2011, and did not pay nor offer to pay the costs of these unauthorized long distance phone calls.

ABTC wants Legislature to amend carding provision

By MARK RABAGO

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With the Office Attorney General thumbing down its plan to issue a memo exempting senior citizens from being carded when buying tobacco and alcohol, the Division of Alcoholic Beverage & Tobacco Control is now asking the Legislature to amend the controversial provision of Public Law 17-83.

ABTC director Edward Maratita said the OAG advised them that issuing a memo to retail stores to no longer card senior citizens is against the law.

"Our office took the opportunity in writing out the memo

to give out to the stores, but portunity to at least not card unfortunately the AG's Office came back and advised us not to issue that memo because it's contrary to the law. AG [Gilbert Birnbrich] said for that change to happen it has to take an act of [the Legislature],' Maratita told Saipan Tribune.

Maratita said ABTC is asking for the community's cooperation and understanding until such time the law is

"Although we tried every avenue to try and pacify the community in respect to the mandatory card requirement, that is the response from the AG's office. We were supposed to give them the op-

> ward to voice their displeasure. "Our memo was trying to

> senior citizens. Our next move

is to work with the Legisla-

ture on this mandatory ID

card requirement and see what

kind of language is needed to

bill from the OAG is already

at the Senate after ABTC com-

municated with the offices of

Senate floor leader Pete Reyes

(R-Saipan) and Sen. Paul

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dress the issue.

pacify the issue out there with respect to the senior citizens because of the complaints that have bombarded our office and especially criticism received by retail establishments. [However], the language of the law says that they have to demand an ID card. It doesn't say that they use common sense or look at the person to see whether they are old enough or what.

The ABTC chief also appealed to the community not to blame stores and establishments.

That's not the language of the

law," said Maratita.

"It's not the fault of retailers. They're just following what is written. We also didn't write the law; we're just enforcing it. That's part of the responsibilities of the retailers, to make sure that they comply with the law. One of the main reason attributed to this enforcement is the fine that was created under Public 17-83, which raised the fine from a slap on the hand, which is a suspension, to \$1,000 for not carding people who are buying alcohol or cigarettes."

Maratita also explained that the carding law has always been there and that PL 17-83 just re-enforced the responsibility of carding.

PL 17-83 was passed in the 17th Legislature in September 2012 and because of the law ABTC was forced to revamp its regulations, which was adopted in March 2013, that included the outreach and seminars to retailers to make carding mandatory regardless of age.

PL 17-83 limits the sale of tobacco to persons over 18 years old and requires establishments to ask everyone regardless of age—to present a government-issued identification card.

Sen. Reyes, meanwhile, said he's still not totally convinced that carding people who appear to be of legal age to buy cigarettes or alcohol is the right thing to do.

"This is an absence of common sense. I've asked our legal counsel to review the law so we can draft an amendment to include common sense on the law. I still hear people who continue to be asked to produce ID cards even if they visibly look of legal age."

Roberto's witness agrees to a plea deal with the US govt

By FERDIE DE LA TORRE

Randy A. Igisomar, a 22-yearold man who was indicted in federal court for allegedly lying during the jury trial of Raymond B. Roberto, has agreed to a plea deal with the U.S. government.

Assistant U.S. attorney Ross K. Naughton informed the U.S. District Court for the NMI yesterday that Igisomar and the U.S. government signed the plea agreement on Wednesday. The plea agreement was filed under seal.

Naughton asked the court that Igisomar's case be set for a change of plea hearing.

The indictment charged Igisomar with perjury, obstruction of justice, and false statement.

In the indictment, one count of perjury relates to Igisomar's Sept. 10, 2014, testimony when he made a declaration inconsistent with a prior declaration he made while under oath in a grand jury proceeding.

Specifically, on May 6, 2014, while appearing as a witness under oath before the federal grand jury, Igisomar testified that, while detained at the Department of Corrections, he spoke in Chamorro to a friend on the phone and that Roberto told him to tell his friend to get

years old and will be celebrat-

ing at the Saipan World Resort

tomorrow, Nov. 22, from 6pm

Rose Dance School owner

Carol Wong-Chan said this

year's celebration will be held

at the Royal Taga Hall, with an

to 10pm.

rid of her phone number.

Igisomar stated that he told his friend to get rid of the number because Roberto instructed him to tell it to her right there.

However, in his testimony during Roberto's trial on Sept. 10, Igisomar stated that his conversation on the phone with his friend was in English. Igisomar also stated that Roberto only asked his (Igisomar's) friend if she can tell her sister in Guam to contact his (Roberto's) lawyers and the private investigators.

Igisomar also testified that he did not hear Roberto telling his friend to throw a cell phone.

Igisomar was one of three men who bludgeoned to death a school security guard in 2008, burglarized the school and stole some laptops and other items. He was sentenced to 22 years in

A federal court jury acquitted the 41-year-old Roberto of all charges that he enticed three underage girls to engage in prostitution and tampered a witness while he was in jail.

A separate indictment was also filed against Roberto's other witness, former firefighters Richard S. Benavente. Benavente was charged with three counts of perjury and one count of obstruction of justice.

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- Cindy Bailey, PT, MS, DPT, OCS, SCS, ATC, EMT Orthopedic Institute for Children Los Angeles

Conference Dates:

- Dec. 14, 2014 (11:30 am registration-Networking Lunch-Adjournment at 5 pm)
 - PE Teachers
 - Coaches
- Dec. 17, 2014 (8:00 am registration-lunch-Adjournment at 3:30 pm)

 - Certified Nurses Assistants (CNA)

 - Midwives

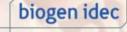
 - Social Workers
 - Social Workers Assistants (SWA)
 - Dental Hygienists
 - Physical Therapists
 - Occupational Therapists
- Dec. 19, 2014 (8:00 am registration-working lunch-Adjournment at 1:30 pm)
 - Families who have been diagnosed as having a bleeding disorder
 - Physicians
 - Physicians Assistants (PA)
 - Nurse Practitioners (NP)
 - Midwives
 - Dentists
 - Pharmacists

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- **To register please contact Pam Carhill via email at pam_c@marianashealth.com or call 233-4646 and leave a message
 **Please pre-register by November 22, 2014 by 5 pm
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 - Marianas Health Services
 - Northern Mariana Islands Football Association (NMIFA)













"We will have many performances for an hour," Wong-Chan said

entrance fee of \$25.

Saturday night's event will be highlighted by performances featuring all kinds of ballroom dances taught at the school, including swing, chacha, samba, Argentina tango, boogie, and salsa.

The Rose Dance School turns 5 She urges anyone who wants to learn ballroom dancing to enroll.

Rose Dance School turns 5

"We are the only ballroom dance school here on Saipan," she said. "It will be great to have children join us so having the celebration will showcase and hopefully interest some new students."

Rose Dance School opened in 2009. It is located on the second floor of the Canton Restaurant. Classes are every Friday from 6pm to 7pm.

For more information on Rose Dance School or the anniversary celebration, call Carol at 234-7236 and Resty Joson at 789-7888. (Jayson Camacho)

COMMONWEALTH PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION Request For Proposal CPUC-RFP-14-001

CPUC Expert Consultant Services

The Commonwealth Public Utilities Commission ("CPUC") is soliciting competitive sealed proposals from a qualified Firm/Individual(s) to provide consultant services for and on behalf of the Commission in connection with its regulatory oversight duties of public utilities, telecommunication carriers and cable television operators during business within the Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands.

The Scope-of-Work will be e-mailed upon request, to all interested Proposers, by CPUC. Requests for Proposal (RFP) packages may be obtained by email by sending an email request to cpuc.cnmi@gmail.com. The requesting email shall clearly identify the name, address and telephone number of the requesting party as well as specify the name and title of the contact person for the requesting party. A non-refundable registration fee of One Hundred U.S. Dollars (\$100.00) must be paid to CPUC in cash, cashier's check or certified check payable to the order of the Commission to complete the registration and be deemed a registered proposer. The payment may be made by personal delivery to the CPUC office located at the CDA Building, Unit #103, Beach Road, Oleai, Saipan, Monday to Friday, 9am to 1pm. Payment may also be made by certified mail to the following address: Commonwealth Public Utilities Commission, P.O. Box 501219, Saipan MP 96950. The registration fee shall be deemed paid upon CPUC's receipt of the funds. For additional information, contact Dave Guerrero by email at cpuc.cnmi@gmail.com or call 235-2782 (CPUC).

A pre-bid conference will be held on November 20, 2014 at 10:00 a.m. at the CPUC conference room located at Unit 103, Ground Floor, CDA Building, Saipan, CNMI. All inquiries from Proposers must be submitted in writing no later than 10:00 AM (CHST) local time on November 28, 2014 to contact Dave Guerrero by email at cpuc.cnmi@gmail.com or call 235-2782 (CPUC). CPUC will only respond to questions and clarifications from prospective Proposers who have completed registration with the CPUC for the solicitation. The response to an inquiry from a registered Offeror will be transmitted to all other registered Proposers without identifying the Proposer that made the inquiry.

One (1) original and three (3) copies of a proposal must be submitted in a sealed envelope marked "RFP-14-001: CPUC Expert Consultant Services no later than December 10, 2014 at 4:30 p.m. (CHST) local time. The submission can be by personal delivery or by certified mail or private courier. A submission by mail or private courier must be deposited for delivery on or before 4:30 p.m. December 10, 2014. A copy of the entire submission is also required to be sent by email to cpuc.cnmi@gmail.com 4:30 p.m. CHST local time on December 10, 2014. Late submissions, conditional offers and incomplete proposals will not be considered. The proposals will be publicly opened at 10:00 a.m. on December 11, 2014 at the CPUC Conference Room located at Unit 103, Ground floor of the CDA Building, Saipan, CNMI.

The proposer is required to submit a copy of its CNMI Business license or a copy of its filed CNMI Business license application within five (5) days upon award of the contract. The Contractor and all subcontractors will be obligated to pay wage rates not less than the current CNMI minimum wage, prevailing through the period of contract. The contractor will also be required to comply with all CNMI and applicable Federal Laws.

All bidders are advised that CPUC assumes no responsibility in any act of omission on the part of the bidders due to lack of information or understanding of the bid requirements in the course of Contractor's preparation of a bid or supply under the contract. The RFP does not commit CPUC to award a contract, to pay any cost incurred in the preparation of the bid under this request. Selection procedure shall be in full compliance with CPUC Procurement Regulations. Contract/s will be awarded to the most responsive proposers, as adjudged by the Source Selection Committee (SSC).

CPUC reserves the right to reject any or all proposals and waive any imperfection in the Request for Proposal in the interest of the government. All proposals shall become the property of CPUC.

> /s/Joseph C. Guerrero Chairperson, CPUC

Guam real GDP up .6 pct.

>>Tourist spending goes down 4.6 percent

HAGATNA, Guam—The Bureau of Economic Analysis released yesterday estimates of gross domestic product for Guam for 2013, in addition to estimates of GDP by industry and compensation by industry for 2012. These estimates were developed under the Statistical Improvement Program funded by the Office of Insular Affairs of the U.S. Department of the Interior.

The latest estimates of GDP for 2007 to 2012 are also presented, as well as GDP by industry and compensation by industry for 2007 to 2011.

The estimates of GDP for Guam show that real GDP-GDP adjusted to remove price changes—increased 0.6 percent in 2013. For comparison, real GDP for the U.S. (excluding the territories) increased 2.2 percent in 2013. In the neighboring Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands, its real GDP increased 4.4 percent in 2013, according to BEA estimates.

The growth in Guam's economy reflected an increase in private fixed investment that was partly offset by a decrease in exports of services.

Private fixed investment, which includes spending by businesses on construction and equipment, increased 34.3 percent. Construction spending accounted for the majority of this growth; major projects occurring over this period included the construction of Guam's first private hospital and a new luxury hotel in Tumon Bay.

Exports of services, which consist primarily of spending by tourists, decreased 4.6 percent.

This was the first decrease since 2009. Although total arrivals increased in 2013, expenditures by Japanese visitors, who make up the majority of Guam's tourist market, declined.

The estimates of GDP by industry for Guam show that the private sector was the source of the increase in real GDP in 2012; growth was widespread across all major industry groups. The government sector declined in 2012, reflecting decreases in federal and territorial government compensation.

The compensation by industry estimates, which are measured in current dollars, show trends in compensation for major industries. Total compensation increased in 2012 due to growth in the private sector. All major industry groups in the private sector grew, except for construction. (BEA)

DUI checkpoints on Saipan next week

The CNMI Department of Public Safety will be conducting DUI/sobriety checkpoints on Nov. 26 and 27.

Nov. 26, 2014:

- Beach Road Susupe in front of the Pedro P. Tenorio Multi-Purpose Building, on the northbound lane, from 6pm to 7:15pm
- Chalan Pale Arnold, Chalan Lau Lau, in front of IT&E Building, on the southbound lane, from 8pm to 9:15pm
- Chalan Monsignor Guerrero, Chalan Kiya adjacent to the CUC

Waterloo, on the westbound lane, from 10pm to 11:15pm

Nov. 27, 2014:

- Beach Road, Garapan across from Bank Pacific on the southbound lane, from 3pm to 4:15pm
- Chalan Pale Arnold, Gualo Rai in front of Spring Buildings, on the southbound lane, from 6pm to 7:15pm
- Beach Road, Chalan Piao, in front of Hopwood Jr. High School on the southbound lane, from 8:30pm to 9:45pm

Each DUI/sobriety check-

point will last at least 75 minutes (1 hour and 15 minutes).

In addition, traffic and patrol officers will be conducting highway criminal interdictions, saturation patrols, aggressive driver interdictions, and laser (speed detection) enforcement.

This activity is part of department's effort to deter, detect and apprehend impaired drivers, and to ensure that all passengers are wearing proper restraining devices, seatbelts or car seats. (DPS)

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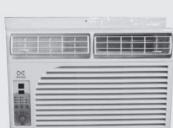


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Nominees named for Executive of the Year award

Guam Business Magazine announced yesterday the nominees for the 2014 Guam Business Magazine Executive of the Year. The annual Executive of the Year award program recognizes executives who have made outstanding contributions to the business communities of Micronesia and who have raised the bar in their fields.

The nominees are:

Gener F. Deliquina, CEO of Coast360 Federal Credit Union Leo Palace Resort

James S. Herbert III, General Manager of Triple J Five Star Wholesale Inc.

Jeffrey P. Larsen, President of TakeCare Insurance Co. Inc.

Renie "Rey" Llaneta, President of Re/Max Asyenda Realty Philippines and Manager, Western Pacific region, for Chugach Alaska Corp.

Hiroyuki Miyata, President and CEO of Leo Palace Guam Corp., which does business as

Milton Morinaga, Managing Director of P.H.R. Ken Micronesia Inc.

Donna M. Quinata, Senior Vice President of Auto Spot Mitsubishi

John M. Robertson, President of AmOrient Engineering

Peter R. Sgro Jr., President and Chairman of International Group Inc.

Norman T. Tenorio, President and CEO, Pacifica Insurance Underwriters Inc.

The winner will be revealed at a gala on Jan. 17, 2015, at the Hyatt Regency Guam, together with the release of the

which will feature a commissioned portrait of the winner on the cover.

of Guam Business Magazine,

Proceeds will benefit the Guam Chapter of the American

January-February 2015 issue Red Cross. Tickets are available for \$175 per person and may be purchased from Chita A. Blaise, CEO of the American Red Cross, by calling (671) 472-6217 or by emailing chita. blaise@redcross.org. (PR)

Tinian, Rota senators endorse IT

Two Tinian senators, an independent and a Republican, joined the stream of elected official that have thrown their support behind Gov. Eloy S. Inos and his running mate, Senate President Ralph DLG Torres (R-Saipan).

Sens. Francisco M. Borja (Ind-Tinian) and Francisco Q. Cruz (R-Tinian) gave their endorsements to the NMI Republican Party tandem, a day before the Nov. 21 runoff elections today.

"I have served with Senator Ralph and he has the experience, knowledge, and passion needed to be our lieutenant governor. Ralph and Eloy are the only candidates I trust to lead our Commonwealth," said Boria.

Cruz, for his part, said that he respects both Inos and Torres immensely and knows very well that they will fight for the people.

Inos said he is once again humbled by the outpouring of support not only from ordinary people of the Commonwealth but its respected leaders as well.

"Ralph and I are so blessed to have the support of these fine gentleman. It has been so wonderful to work with people that share the same passion for the people as they do. Standing side by side with them and the thousands and thousands of people that have supported us is awe-inspiring and we are so thankful," he said.

On the other hand, Torres said the endorsements of Borja and Cruz means that the Inos-Torres now have all the support of elected officials on the two islands.

"The endorsements today means our campaign has secured the endorsement of virtually every elected official in Tinian and Rota. We are deeply humbled and thankful."

Inos/Torres will figure in a gubernatorial runoff election with former speaker Heinz S. Hofschneider and former Senate floor leader Ray N. Yumul today. (Mark Rabago)

Public Health launches 'Walk on Wednesday'



Hospital nurses and Northern Marianas College nursing students conduct blood pressure and blood sugar checkups during the Division of Public Health's "Walk On Wednesday" at Oleai Beach.

By JAYSON CAMACHO

The Commonwealth Healthcare Corp.'s Division of Public Health held its walk for Diabetes Awareness Month at Oleai Beach last Wednesday.

DPH's Non-communicable Disease Bureau held the "Walk on Wednesday" as a means to promote awareness of how diabetes can affect one's health.

Over 20 attended the walk, which started at 4pm and ended at 6pm.

NCD also had a blood pressure and blood sugar checkup for walkers, while Hatha Day Yoga instructors held a brief yoga exercise for participants before the walk.

Northern Marianas College nursing students and Hardt Eye Clinic helped with the blood pressure and blood sugar level check.

NCD Bureau administrator Becky Robles said those who were found with high blood pressure or sugar levels were referred to the Commonwealth Health Center or other private clinic.

She said their goal is to get people moving more. "This walk was held so that people can be more aware of their health," Robles said.

She said free health screenings are being done at the hospital's Family Care Clinic throughout the month of November. The screenings are ongoing until Nov. 28.

In a separate interview, CHCC chief executive officer Esther Muña said these activities are being done to make everyone aware of their health.

"It is better to get yourself checked now than later because you never know what might happen to yourself," Muña said.

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THANK YOU FOR YOUR SUPPORT

With humble gratitude, I would like to take this time to express my utmost appreciation to everyone who showed support for me in my bid for Precinct 4, House of Representatives. I am grateful for this opportunity and also for the overwhelming support from my family, friends, and especially my fellow Precinct 4 voters.

> Olomwaay, Dungkulu Na Si Yu'us Ma'ase and Thank You!

BEFORE THE OFFICE OF THE INSURANCE COMMISSIONER CENTURY INSURANCE CO., LTD.

In the Matter of the Application for Withdrawal and to Permanently Discontinue the Transaction of Insurance Business in the CNMI pursuant to § 20-40.1-210 of the Office of the Insurance Commissioner Rules and Regulations

NOTICE OF INTENTION TO WITHDRAW

Notice is hereby given that Century Insurance Company, Ltd., with business address at JP Center, Beach Road, Garapan, Saipan MP 96950 intends to withdraw and to permanently discontinue the transaction of insurance business in the CNMI, effective December 31, 2014.

All current and existing policies and claims will be assumed by Century Insurance Company (Guam), Ltd., effective January 1, 2015.

Any person who objects to such withdrawal must give good sufficient cause therefore within one (1) week from date of last publication with the Insurance Commissioner with mailing address at Caller Box 10007 CK, Saipan MP 96950.

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His crowing has given him ers in Cornelius, Oregon, have been dinged six times

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At a hearing scheduled for Wednesday, Dan and Megan Keller could be fined as much

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Megan Keller told The Oregonian (http://bit.lv/1vTecdO) that she thought she was buying two females at Easter time in 2012 for her granddaughters to show at 4-H.

But there was a shipping mixup that became evident as Mr. Rooster grew up.

Keller said, though, that the birds had arrived during a tough patch in her life, and "those two brought me a lot of

Cornelius is a western Portland suburb of about 12,000 people proclaimed on its website as "an agricultural paradise, where rolling hillsides, vineyards and farms abound.'

The town doesn't, as other cities do, ban roosters outright. But it has an ordinance against animals that annoy or disturb neighbors.

In June, a neighbor complained about Mr. Rooster. In August, a judge handed down a \$250 fine and ordered that the bird get a new home.

Keller sent Mr. Rooster to a farm owned by friends. Along went the other bird from the 2012 shipment, known as Mrs. Rooster.

Megan Keller said that didn't go well: The birds lost their feathers, and then a hawk attack left Mrs. Rooster dead and Mr. Rooster injured.

So she retrieved Mr. Rooster.



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REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS CUC-RFP-15-002

POWER SUPPLY RESOURCES

The Office of the Executive Director, Commonwealth Utilities Corporation (CUC), is soliciting competitive sealed proposals from qualified and experienced entities to supply reliable, affordable energy from commercially proven electric generation resources for the Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands.

The solicitation seeks responses from suitably qualified entities from which CUC intends to select one, or more, proponent(s) to negotiate long-term power supply contracts that best fit CUC's power supply requirements. CUC's requirements for new power supply resources will be determined as part of its Integrated Resource Plan, which is currently underway. More information regarding the Integrated Resource Plan can be found at the CUC's website at http://www.cucgov.org/integrated-resource-plan/.

The RFP documents may be downloaded from the CUC website at http://www.cucgov.org/power-supply-rfp/. It is each proponent's responsibility to ensure they have received all RFP documents posted to this website. An updated checklist will be provided in early January, titled "RFP Document Receipt Checklist and Affirmation" prior to the submittal deadline. In order to reduce the cost to CUC of this procurement and in the interest of sustainable business practices, CUC will not be providing printed RFP materials; all RFP materials will be accepted and distributed abstraction. will be posted and distributed electronically.

Prospective proponents for this RFP must register with the CUC Procurement & Supply Division, by filling out and submitting a Proponent Registration Form by 10:00 am December 15, 2014 in order to be considered. The Proponent Registration Form is posted to the website at http://www.cucgov.org/power-supply-rfp/ and can be delivered in printed format or electronically via email to the CUC Procurement Contact for Power Supply RFP:

Manny B. Sablan, Jr. Purchasing Officer Address: Commonwealth Utilities Corporation Third Floor, Room 3, Joeten Dandan Commercial Bldg. P.O. Box 501220, Dandan, Saipan MP, 96950 Office Phone: (670) 236-4303 Email: manny.sablan@cucgov.org.

The deadline for proposal submittals is currently scheduled for January 20, 2015, although this date may be subject to change. Changes to the proposal schedule will be posted as addenda to the Request for Proposal documents.

One printed, hardcopy original and five copies of all proposal material and supporting documents (including the Technical Proposa One printed, inaccopy original and tive copies of air proposal material and supporting documents (including the reclinical rhoposal requirements, the Cost Proposal requirements, and all supplementary data requested as part of Appendix A, Appendix B, and Appendix C) must be submitted in a sealed envelope marked "CUC RFP 15-002, Power Supply Resources" to CUC Procurement & Supply Division, 3rd Floor, Room No.3, Joeten Dandan Commercial Building, P.O.Box 501220, Dandan, Saipan MP 96950, no later than 10:00 a.m. (ChST) on January 20, 2015. One electronic copy of the Technical Proposal and related documents, and one electronic copy of the Cost Proposal and related documents, in Adobe pdf format on a DVD, also must be delivered with the other printed, hardcopy proposal materials.

Proponents are advised that CUC assumes no responsibility in any act of omission on the part of the proponents due to lack of information rroponents are advised that COC assumes no responsibility in any act of omission on the part of the proposal requirements in the course of proponents; preparation of a proposal or supply under the contract. Questions or requests for clarification will be considered only from registered proponents and must be submitted in writing no later than December 17, 2104 to Manny B. Sablan, CUC Purchasing Officer via email addressed to <a href="mailto:mailt

Proponents shall be accorded fair and equal treatment. There shall be no disclosure of any information derived from proposals submitted by competing proponents.

This Request for Proposal does not commit CUC to the award of a contract or contracts, nor to pay any cost incurred in the preparation and submission of proposals in anticipation of a contract. This request and the ensuing contract shall be executed pursuant to the CUC Procurement Regulations.

CUC reserves the right to reject any or all proposals for any reason and to waive any defects in said proposal, if in its sole opinion, to do so would be in the best interest of CUC. All proposals shall become the property of CUC.

All responses to this RFP should take into account any and all taxes, including excise tax, which will become the obligation of the proponent awarded a contract. Successful proponents will be required to submit a copy of a valid CNMI Business license in compliance with the Contractor's Registration and Licensing Laws of the Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands, upon award of the contract. The Contractor and all subcontractors will be obligated to pay wage rates not less than the current CNMI minimum wage, prevailing through the period of contract, as indicated in the web page: https://marianaslabor.net/. The proponents shall be required to comply with all applicable CNMI and Federal Laws.

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REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS CUC-RFP-15-003

Water & Wastewater Laboratory Services

The Commonwealth Utilities Corporation (CUC), Office of the Executive Director is soliciting competitive sealed proposals from DECQ certified firms to provide laboratory services for the islands of Saipan, Tinian and Rota in the Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands.

The RFP package may be obtained upon completion of registration and receipt of a non-refundable deposit from the CUC Treasury Section, by cash, check or credit card in the amount of \$100.00 for one set from the CUC Procurement and Supply Office, 3rd Floor, Room No. 3, Joeten Dandan Commercial Building, Saipan, between 7:30 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. and 12:30 p.m. to 4:00 p.m., Monday through Friday, except on government observed holidays. Prospective Proposers must register with the CUC Procurement & Supply Division

A Pre-Proposal Conference will be held on November 26, 2014 at 10:00 AM (ChST) at the CUC Main Conference Room, 3rd Floor, Room 15, Joeten Dandan Commercial Building, Dandan, Saipan.

One (1) original and Five (5) copies must be submitted in a sealed envelope marked "CUC-RFP-15-003, Water & Wastewater Laboratory Services", to the CUC Procurement & Supply Office, 3rd Floor, Room No. 3, Joeten Dandan Commercial Building, P.O. Box 501220, Saipan, MP 96950, no later than December 12, 2014 at 10:00 AM (ChST). Late submissions and conditional offers will not be considered.

All Offerors are advised that CUC assumes no responsibility in any act of omission on the part of the Offeror due to lack of information or understanding of the proposal requirements in the course of Contractor preparation of a proposal under the contract.

Discussions may be conducted with responsible proposers for the purpose of clarification and to ensure full understanding of, and responsiveness to solicitation requirements. Proposers shall be accorded fair and equal treatment. There shall be no disclosure of any information derived from proposals submitted by competing proposers.

This Request for Proposal does not commit CUC to the award of a contract or contracts, nor to pay any cost incurred in the preparation and submission of proposals in anticipation of a contract. This bid and the ensuing contract shall be executed pursuant to the CUC Procurement Regulations. The contractor shall be required to comply with all CNMI and applicable Federal Laws.

All questions or request for clarification must be submitted in writing no later than November 28, 2014 at 10:00 AM (ChST) to Manny B. Sablan, Jr., CUC Procurement & Supply Manager via email address manny.sablan@cucgov.org with a copy to Heidi Yelin, CUC Laboratory Manager, via email heidi.yelin@cucgov.org.

CUC reserves the right to reject any or all proposals for any reason and to waive any defects in said proposal, if in its sole opinion, to do so would be in the best interest of CUC. All proposals shall become the property of CUC.

> /s/ ALAN W. FLETCHER **Executive Director**

/s/ MANNY B. SABLAN Manager, Procurement & Supply

OFFBEAT BRIEFS

Pennsylvania Great Dane gives birth to 19 puppies

YORK HAVEN, Pa. (AP)— Call it "19 Pups and Counting." WHTM-TV reports York County, Pennsylvania, residents Brandon and Aimie Terry's Great Dane recently gave birth to 19 puppies. Great Danes normally have seven to 10 puppies in a litter. But Brandon Terry says an X-ray of Snowy found at least 15 "little spines" during a visit to the veterinarian's office before she gave birth. The puppies are about three weeks old and recently opened their eyes.

Ring flushed by kid returned to California

family

UNION CITY, Calif. (AP)— Sanitation workers have returned an heirloom diamond and sapphire ring to a San Francisco Bay Area family whose 3-year-old son flushed it down the toilet. After several attempts, Union Sanitary District crews found the ring last week, about a month and a half after it disappeared from Munazzar and Mehvish Tapal's home in Union City. Wastewater Collection Supervisor Shawn Nesgis tells KTVU-TV that the ring traveled about a third of a mile. Crews flushed the sewer lines and discovered the ring after vacuuming up debris. Nesgis equated the discovery to finding a needle in a haystack.

The Tapals say the ring's return was a miracle. Munazzar Tapal estimates the ring has been in his family for 60 years.

Ortiz doll, marathon medal in Boston time capsule

(AP)—Whoever **BOSTON** opens Boston's time capsule in 2114 will find a David Ortiz bobblehead doll and a medal from last year's Boston Marathon. The Bostonian Society says the Red Sox slugger's figurine and the medal from the marathon the vear it was bombed are among 26 items contained in the new capsule. The copper box has been inserted into the head of a golden lion statue that has long stood guard over the Old State House. It replaces a 1901 capsule opened last month. Other items include an Apple iPhone 5, a Legal Sea Foods restaurant menu, letters, essays, photographs and newspapers. The lion and a companion unicorn statue will be returned to their public perches Sunday. The Bostonian Society says it hopes the capsule will be opened in 100 years.

Group to hold pit bull parade after ban dropped

PROVIDENCE, R.I. (AP)— A group of pit bull lovers plans to hold a pit bull parade to celebrate after a judge threw out a 10-year-old ban on the dogs in a Rhode Island city. WLNE-TV reports the nonprofit group Pit

Bulls for PTSD plans to hold the parade on Sunday in Pawtucket. A Superior Court judge on Tuesday found a city ordinance that had banned pit bulls since 2004 was invalid. The ruling follows a 2013 state law that prohibits cities and towns from banning specific dog breeds. The parade will start at a dog park and then loop through the neighborhood. It will end with a free dog training session. Pit Bulls for PTSD trains pit bulls to become service dogs for people with post-traumatic stress disorder and children with autism.

Aggressive groundhog charges at New **Hampshire man**

HAMPTON, N.H. (AP)— A New Hampshire man says he was working in his garage when a groundhog he had seen in his backyard charged at him. Gary McGrath of Hampton tells WMUR-TV the groundhog got close, so he pushed him back with his foot Tuesday. But the animal returned. McGrath said he gave him a harder kick and closed the garage door. But the groundhog sneaked through another opening—and McGrath ended up running to the front door. His wife called an animal control officer, who got back into his truck for a short time when confronted by the groundhog. The animal was later put down in the yard. It will

be tested for rabies.

NOTICE OF ZONING BOARD PUBLIC HEARING

for **Micron Tech**

The public is invited to attend and provide comments at a Zoning Board public hearing on this request for Conditional Use Permit. Micron Tech is proposing to construct and operate a classroom/ training facility on Lot 388 for vocational activities. This use is classified as "Personal Services" and is permitted in this district as a Conditional Use. This area is located along Texas Road, Susupe, southeast of Marianas Business Plaza, and is zoned as Village Residential.

Date: December 04th, 2014, Thursday

Time: 5:00 pm

Place: Multi Purpose Center, Susupe, Saipan

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/s/ Diego C. Blanco, Board Chairman

NOTICE OF ZONING BOARD

for

The public is invited to attend and provide comments at a Zoning Board public hearing on this request for Conditional Use Permit. Ocean Vista Resort is proposing to operate a 154 room hotel with mixed uses, consisting of restaurants, residential units, retail spaces, meeting rooms, and gym on lots# TR 21698, H328-1, and H328-4. This use is classified as "Planned Development" and is permitted in this district as a Conditional Use. This area is located along Isa Drive on Capitol Hill, and east of Vestcor Apartments or Coffee Care Restaurant. It is zoned as Rural.

Date: December 04th, 2014, Thursday

Time: 5:00 pm

Place: Multi Purpose Center, Susupe, Saipan

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NOTICE OF ZONING BOARD PUBLIC HEARING PUBLIC HEARING

Ocean Vista Resort

Date: December 04th, 2014, Thursday

for **PCC** Corporation,

dba Roberto's Café & Restaurant

The public is invited to attend and provide comments at a Zoning Board public

hearing on this request for Conditional Use Permit. PCC Corporation dba

Roberto's Cafe and Restaurant is proposing to operate a cafe and restaurant on

TR#22746-1. This use is classified as "Restaurant, Drive-Through" and is

permitted in this district as a Conditional Use. This area is located on the corner

of Tun Joaquin Doi Rd. and Achive Ln in Finasisu. It is zoned as Village

Time: 5:00 pm

Commercial.

Place: Multi Purpose Center, Susupe, Saipan

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Notice Of Zoning Board Meeting

The regular meeting of the Zoning Board will be held on Thursday, December 04, 2014 at 5:00 PM, Multi Purpose Center, Susupe, Saipan (Tel: 234-9661 \boxtimes Fax: 234-9666 \boxtimes e-mail: www.zoning.gov.mp)

- A. Preliminary Matters Call to Order Roll Call

 - Adoption of Agenda
- Adoption of October 30th, 2014 minutes
- Public Comments (not related to files for discussion under item B. Public Hearings) **B. Public Hearings**
- 1. Conditional Use Application #2014-3094: Micron Tech is proposing to construct and operate a classroom/ training facility on Lot 388 for vocational activities. This use is classified as "Personal Services" and is permitted in this district as a Conditional Use. This area is located along Texas Road, Susupe, southeast of Marianas Business Plaza, and is zoned as Village Residential.

 2. Conditional Use Application #2014.3776: AC Pacific LLC dba I Love Saipan is proposing
- to operate a warehouse facility on Lot 016 D 12. This use is classified as "Warehousing/ General Wholesaling" and is permitted in this district as a Conditional Use. This area is sga Road and is zoned as
- Conditional Use Application #2014-3962: PCC Corporation dba Roberto's Cafe and Restaurant is proposing to operate a cafe and restaurant on TR#22746-1. This use is classified as "Restaurant, Drive-Through" and is permitted in this district as a Conditional Use. This area is located on the corner of Tun Joaquin Doi Rd. and Achive Ln in Finasisu. It is zoned as Village Commercial. Conditional Use Application #2014-3520: Carmen Safeway Enterprises Inc. dba Borja Funeral Home is proposing to operate a funeral home with crematory services on lots 006
- H 11 and 006 H 30. This use is classified as "Funeral Homes" and is permitted in this district as a Conditional Use. This area is located along Beach Road, Susupe, north of Bank of Saipan, and east of Aquarius Beach Tower. It is zoned as Village Commercial. Conditional Use Application #2014-4028: Ocean Vista Resort is proposing to operate a 154 room hotel with mixed uses, consisting of restaurants, residential units, retail spaces, meeting rooms, and gym on lots# TR 21698, H328-1, and H328-4. This use is classified as "Planned Development" and is permitted in this district as a Conditional Use. This area is located along Isa Drive on Capitol Hill,
- and east of Vestcor Apartments or Coffee Care Restaurant. It is zoned as Rural. C. Communications/ Reports
- D. Old Business.
- E. New Business
- 1. Office Operations Report
- Executive (Closed) Session.

 Miscellaneous: Other Matters, Announcements, Next Meeting, Adjourn.

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NOTICE OF ZONING BOARD PUBLIC HEARING

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30 FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 21, 2014 SAIPAN TRIBUNE

Science & Technology

Yahoo replaces Google as Firefox's default search

Yahoo will supplant Google's search engine on Firefox's Web browser in the U.S., signaling Yahoo's resolve to regain some of the ground that it has lost in the most lucrative part of the Internet's ad market.

The five-year alliance announced Wednesday will end a decade-old partnership in the U.S. between Google Inc. and the Mozilla Foundation, which oversees the Firefox browser. The tensions between Google and Mozilla had been rising

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IN THE SUPERIOR COURT OF THE **COMMONWEALTH OF THE NORTHERN MARIANA ISLANDS**

CITY TRUST BANK,] CIVIL ACTION] NO. 14-0023 NOTICE OF SALE TRINIDAD A. LIZAMA and JESUS SN. L**I**ZAMA,

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that, pursuant to an Order issued by the Court in this matter on November 12, 2014, I will sell, at public auction, to the highest bidder, on the terms and conditions set forth hereinbelow, all the right, title, and interest of Defendants in and to the following property: Lot No. 005 I 218, situated in Saipan, Northern Mariana Islands, as more particularly described of Drawing/Cadastral Pla no. 005 I 03, the original of which was recorded on August 3, 1984, as Document 84-1400, at the Office of the Commonwealth Recorder, Saipan.

Date, Time, and Place of Sale. The sale will be held on Friday, December 12, 2014, at the hour of 1:30 p.m., at The Law Offices of Michael A. White, LLC, Joeten Center, Susupe, Saipan, Northern Mariana Islands. The sale will be open to the general public.

Terms and Conditions of Sale. The Terms and Conditions of Sale may be obtained from the undersigned, either prior to or at the sale. These terms and conditions shall govern the conduct of

DATED, this 14th day of November, 2014:

/s/MICHAEL A. WHITE, Auctionee

since Google's introduction of net search after leaning on Mithe Chrome browser in 2008 began to undercut Firefox. Google's current contract with Mozilla expires at the end of this month, opening an opportunity for Yahoo to pounce.

Even though Chrome is now more widely used, Firefox still has a loyal audience that makes more than 100 billion worldwide search requests annually.

Yahoo is hoping to impress Firefox users as the Sunnyvale, California, company sets out to prove that it's still adept at Inter-

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area of 871 square meters, more or less, as shown on the Division of Lands and Surveys

Official Cadastral Plat no. 330 R 02 dated March

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DATED, this 13th day of November, 2014:

/s/MICHAEL A. WHITE. Auctionee

] CIVIL ACTION] NO. 13-0238

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website for the past four years.

Google accounted for 90

crosoft's technology for most of the results on Yahoo's own

Financial details of Yahoo's Firefox contract weren't disclosed. In a blog post, Mozilla CEO Chris Beard said the new deal offers "strong, improved economic terms" while allowing Mozilla "to innovate and advance our mission in ways that best serve our users and the Web."

percent, or about \$274 million,

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FOR THE COMMONWEALTH OF THE NORTHERN MARIANA ISLANDS ISLA FINANCIAL SERVICES, INC.,) CIVIL ACTION

AMENDED VICTORIA SN. BORJA and) (For Publication

TO: VICTORIA SN. BORJA and GENER P. DE JESUS

YOU ARE HEREBY SUMMONED and notifie o file with the Superior Court any Answer you wish o make to the Complaint, a copy of which is given o you herewith, within twenty-one (21) days after he fourth publication, and to deliver or mail a copy of your Answer to the Law Offices of S. Joshu Berger, Plaintiff's attorney, whose address Second Floor, D'Torres Building, Garapan, P.O. Box 504340, Saipan, MP 96950, as soon as practicable after filing vour Answer.

Your Answer should be in writing and filed with the Clerk of this Court at Susupe, Saipan. It may be prepared and signed for you by your counsel and sent to the Clerk of this Court by messenger or mai t is not necessary for you to appear personally unti further notice.

If you fail to answer in accordance with th Summons. iudgment by default may be taken against you for the relief demanded in the Complaint. By Order of the above Court

/s/ Kristy Diaz

CLERK OF COUR

of Mozilla's royalty revenue in 2012. Mozilla hasn't released its annual report for last year.

Besides dropping Google in the U.S., Mozilla is also shifting Firefox to Baidu's search engine in China and Yandex in Russia. Firefox users still have the op-

tion to pull down a tab to pick Google and other search engines as their preferred way for looking up information online.

Yahoo Inc. CEO Marissa Mayer, a former Google executive, hailed the Firefox agreement as Yahoo's most significant partnership since forging the Microsoft deal in 2009.

"We believe deeply in search it's an area of investment and opportunity for us," Mayer wrote in a Wednesday blog post.

Yahoo plans to unveil a "clean and modern" search engine on Firefox next month and then roll out the new model on its own website early next year, Mayer wrote.

TECH Q&A

Using old software on Windows 8.1

By STEVE ALEXANDER STAR TRIBUNE (MINNEAPOLIS)

Q: For years, I used a mutual fund database program called **Value Line Mutual Funds** Survey for Windows. When I replaced my Windows XP PC with a new one running Windows 8.1, I downloaded another copy of the Value Line program, but found it wouldn't work. Value Line told me that their software is an older 16-bit program, and that they have no plans to upgrade it to work on my new 64-bit PC. What's the problem, and is there a way around it?-Peter Schoeffel. Jacksonville, Fla.

A: There are two solutions. But to choose between them, you need to know why your new Windows operating system can't run your old Value Line program. Here's the gist:

Microsoft's operating systems store or retrieve information using a "data address" that is a certain number of "bits" long. (A bit is a basic unit of information.) Windows originally used 16-bit-long addresses, but as PC storage demands grew it became clear that Windows would run out of addresses because there weren't enough number combinations available. As a result, Windows 95, and later Windows XP, were designed as 32-bit systems, meaning they used 32-bit-long storage addresses that had many more possible combinations.

Windows 8.1 comes in 32bit or 64-bit versions, the latter providing even more addresses. Unfortunately, you have the 64bit version, which doesn't know what to do with your Value Line program that uses a 16-bit address system.

The two solutions probably involve paying a repair shop to do the work for you:

You could replace your PC's 64-bit version of Windows 8.1 with a 32-bit version, which is backward-compatible enough to run your Value Line program. But there's a catch: Your 64-bit PC probably has 4 to 8 gigabytes of RAM (random access memory). But the 32-bit version of Windows 8.1, which has fewer memory addresses, can use only about 3.5 gigabytes of RAM. The rest will remain idle, which means newer programs may run slower than before.

Alternatively, you could install a free, but quite technical, program called "DOSBox" to

your existing 64-bit version of Windows 8.1. DOSBox imitates a 16-bit operating system and can run your Value Line program. You can read about DOSBox at tinyurl.com/jvsuaoc, and download it at tinyurl.

Q: Whenever you give a Web address, you always start with "tinyurl." What is this? Do I type in the word or is it a symbol for something?—Hope Liz, St. Augustine, Fla.

A: The TinyURL is a shortcut for a real, often longer, Web address. And, like a Web address, it needs to be typed into your browser's address line exactly as it appears, using letters, numbers, periods and slashes. For example, typing tinyurl.com/ n5wh553 into your browser's Web address line will take you to last week's column. Side note: because TinyURL addresses are shortcuts, not real addresses, they can't be found using a Google search.

Steve Alexander covers technology for the Minneapolis Star Tribune. Readers may write to him at Tech Q&A, 425 Portland Ave. S., Minneapolis, Minn. 55488-0002; email: steve.j.alexander@gmail.com. Please include a full name, city and phone number.

NOTICE

Notice is hereby given to the public, all business vendors and accounts that as of November 14, 2014, Francisco "Kitz" Barja is no longer an employee of Pacific Saipan, Inc./ One Pacific Distributors.

> Please direct all business matters to Ms. Jocelyn Leomo, Interim Manager at 233-3999.

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AGENDA

PRELIMINARY MATTERS

3. Adoption of Agenda4. Adoption of Minutes (September 25, 2014)

BOARD ORGANIZATION

2. Appointments of Standing Committee Chairs and members

CORRESPONDENCES

4 Personnel Affairs Committee 1. Financial Affairs Committee Airport Facilities Committee

Appeals Ad hoc Committee (SARS Appeal)
 SIA Master Concession Ad hoc Committee

Seaport Facilities Committee

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S REPORT

NEW BUSINESS
1. CPA Military Exercise Operation Implementation Plan 2 Ethics Workshop

Hicronesian Air Cargo Leases (Rota and Tinian)
 Rota Resort Lease
 Francisco C. Ada/Saipan International Airport/Commonwealth Healthcare

Corporation (CHCC) Isolation Facility
6. Supplemental Budget Request
7. Updating Tinian Harbor Master Plan

POI Aviation's Parking Management Contract
 Personnel Matter: Chief Electrician

MISCELLANEOUS MATTERS

PUBLIC COMMENT

XI.

EXECUTIVE SESSION ADJOURNMENT

All interested persons are welcome to attend and to submit written or oral testimony on the above

/s/JOSE R. LIFOIFOI Chairman, Board of Directors

November 20, 2014

For Google's selfdriving cars, learning to deal with the bizarre is essential

By STEVE JOHNSON SAN JOSE MERCURY NEWS

MOUNTAIN VIEW, Calif.—

In 700,000 miles of navigating roads, Google's self-driving cars have encountered just about everything—including an elderly woman in a motorized wheelchair flailing a broom at a duck she was chasing around the street.

Apparently perplexed and taking no chances, the vehicle stopped and refused to go farther.

Through extensive testing covering nearly every street in Mountain View, the company's 20 or so autonomous vehicles have developed an abiding sense of caution. But Google researchers concede it will take more experience on the roads before the autos can learn to cope with every situation without becoming bewildered and shutting down, stranding passengers. When that happens now, researchers have to take the wheel and step on the gas.

One of the most surprising lessons: While hoping to make cars that are safer than those driven by people, Google has discovered its smart machines need to act a little human, especially when dealing with pushy motorists.

"We found that we actually need to be-not aggressive-but assertive" with the vehicles, said Nathaniel Fairfield, technical leader of a team that writes software fixes for problems uncovered during the driving tests. "If you're always yielding and conservative, basically everybody will just stomp on you all day."

As a result, he said, Google's cars on freeways tend to leave a shorter distance between themselves and the vehicles they follow than some driver-training manuals recommend, to discourage other motorists from darting dangerously into the space. And when it's their turn to proceed at a four-way-stop,

Fairfield added, Google's cars will inch forward decisively so other drivers don't try to beat them through the intersection.

When Google invited a reporter on a half-hour ride to see what the cars have learned, the vehicle carefully cruised through intersections, negotiated construction zones, skirted bicyclists and maneuvered past other motorists without leaving a scratch.

Driverless cars have been a dream for decades, largely as a way to reduce the carnage on the roads. About 35,000 people die of crashes in the U.S. annually, with 90 percent of the accidents due to human error, according to the National Safety Council. Google believes its autos could avoid many such mistakes.

Moreover, many experts believe the vehicles could drive bunched together without risk of colliding, reducing traffic congestion and boosting productivity.

But getting the vehicles to where they need no human intervention will be a major challenge.

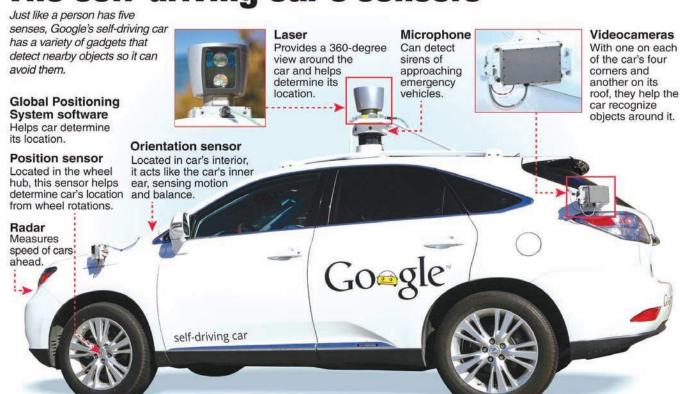
A study by corporate adviser KPMG and the Center for Automotive Research concluded it will be difficult to make a car's software smart enough to know that a ball bouncing into the street might mean a child could come chasing after it. It's also unclear who would be liable if a self-driving car caused an accident. And if the cars prove vulnerable to hackers, the study warned, "the nefarious possibilities are mind-boggling."

Another issue is that Google's cars require detailed computerized maps of the streets where they operate, prompting concerns that it would be a huge undertaking to create such maps for everywhere the vehicles go.

Google officials acknowledge many issues need to be resolved, but say they're encouraged by their progress so far.

So when will Google's cars

The self-driving car's sensors



How the car operates

- Any object the vehicle's sensors spot is interpreted by software to determine if it's a pedestrian, cyclist. vehicle or something else.
- Using what it's learned from previous driving, the software makes predictions about what objects will do next.
- 1 The software analyzes the information to decide whether it is safe to accelerate, turn or hit the

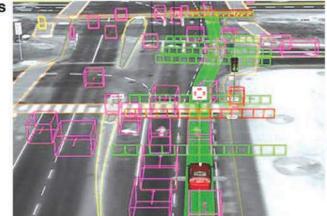
Source: Google Graphic: Tribune News Service

be commercially available?

Company co-founder Sergey Brin has predicted it could be as soon 2017. If so, that probably would be in limited areas for ride-sharing services or others who could operate the cars more economically than individual consumers, said Lawrence Burns, a former General Motors executive who's now a Google consultant.

But eventually, he expects the cars to become commonplace, assuming they can get enough experience with bizarre situations to handle them without a hitch.

"I'm optimistic," Burns said. "Every mile is a chance to discover something unusual.'



How the car sees the world

This computerized image is what Google researchers monitoring sensor data see

A crosswalk, indicating



MESSAGE OF APPRECIATION

On the passing of our beloved



†Jesus Taitano Aldan fondly known as "Uncle Chu" There are no words adequate enough to describe the pain and sense of loss that is felt upon the death of one's husband and father. Yet, in this time of loss, the prayers, kind words, and gracious support of family and friends have been a calm to our sorrow and a source of strength. Your presence and prayers at the nightly rosaries and most especially at the mass of Christian burial were deeply comforting. Your kindness is deeply appreciated and will be remembered always.

May our loving and kind Lord richly bless all of you and keep you in his heart.

Un Dangkulu na Si Yu'us Ma'ase / Olomwaay Teresita Benavente Aldan, Children and Family

Team member Nathaniel Fairfield talks about one of the Google self-driving vehicles in Mountain View, Calif., on Nov. 5, 2014.

32 FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 21, 2014 SAIPAN TRIBUNE

Life & Style TV Land pulls 'Cosby Show' from lineup

NEW YORK (AP)—NBC has scrapped a Bill Cosby comedy that was under development and TV Land will stop airing reruns of "The Cosby Show," moves that came a day after another

had sexually assaulted her.

NBC spokeswoman Rebecca Marks said Wednesday the Cosby sitcom "is no longer under development." A TV woman came forward claiming Land spokesperson said the

diately for an indefinite time. "The Cosby Show" also was to have been part of a Thanksgiving sitcom marathon.

The NBC sitcom and "Cosby Show" reruns joined a Netflix

that the once-beloved comic shows will stop airing imme- Cosby standup comedy special, which was indefinitely postponed late Tuesday, as mounting evidence of Cosby's faltering career. They occurred a day after actress Janice Dickinson, in an interview with "Enter-

tainment Tonight," became the third woman in recent weeks to allege she'd been assaulted by Cosby-charges strongly denied by the comedian's lawyer.

The developments, which involve allegations that were widely reported on a decade ago

as well as new accusations, have gravely damaged the 77-yearold comedian's reputation as America's TV dad at a time when he was launching a comeback. A year ago a standup special—his Cosby first in 30 years-

aired on Comedy Central and drew a hefty audience of 2 million viewers. His prospective new series was announced by NBC in January.

Cosby has never been charged in connection with any of the allegations; Former Pennsylvania prosecutor Bruce L. Castor Jr., who investigated a woman's claims that Cosby had sexually assaulted her in 2004, said Wednesday he decided not to prosecute because he felt there was not enough evidence to get a conviction.

"I wrote my opinion in such a way as I thought conveyed to the whole world that I thought he had done it, he had just gotten away with it because of a lack of evidence," the former Montgomery County district attorney said.

If Cosby hadn't been cooperative with the investigation, "I probably would have arrested him," he said.

Cosby has continued working as a stand-up comic, and has at least 35 performances scheduled throughout the U.S. and Canada through May 2015. None of the performances has been cancelled.

National Artists Corporation,

which is promoting part of the tour, said it will not be canceling any shows.

The Smithsonian's National Museum of African Art has not changed its plans for an exhibition featuring Cosby's African-American art collection

alongside African artworks. The show opened this month on the National Mall and is scheduled to remain on view through early 2016.

"The exhibition has been very well received. We've

actually had record numbers through the door," spokesman Eddie Burke said, adding the museum has had no complaints.

Cosby was asked about the growing furor by an AP reporter when he was promoting the exhibit earlier this month.

When the AP interviewed Cosby, on Nov. 6, the story involved long-circulated accusations from several women and recent criticism from comedian Hannibal Buress. Cosby declined to comment, saying "We don't answer that."

The AP mentioned the allegations and Cosby's decision not to comment at the end of its story, which, like the interview, was primarily about his loan of more than 50 artworks to the Washington museum.

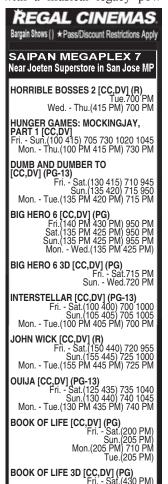
Since then, two women have come forward publicly to accuse him of sexual assault, Netflix, TV Land and NBC cut ties and an appearance on "The Late Show With David Letterman" was canceled. In recent days, as the allegations gained increasing attention, AP went back through the full video of the Nov. 6 interview and decided to publish Cosby's full reaction to questions about the claims.

Library honoring Billy Joel with pop music prize



Billy Joel takes in the applause during a tribute concert in his honor after he received the Library of Congress Gershwin Prize for Popular Song, at DAR Constitution Hall in Washington, Wednesday, Nov. 19, 2014. On stage with him from left, are Nathan Morris and Shawn Stockman of Boyz II Men, Josh Groban, and Gavin DeGraw.

WASHINGTON (AP)—Billy Joel has more than a few powerful friends in Washington with a musical legacy pow-



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erful enough to draw cheers from both sides of the political aisle Wednesday.

The Library of Congress honored the singer and songwriter behind "New York State of Mind," "Allentown," "Piano Man" and numerous other hits with the Gershwin Prize for Popular Song. The lifetime achievement award created by Congress is named for the songwriting duo of George and Ira Gershwin.

The 65-year-old Joel performed in a concert celebrating the prize near the White House along with Tony Bennett, Gavin DeGraw, LeAnn Rimes, John Mellencamp, Natalie Maines, Boyz II Men and other entertainers. The show will be broadcast Jan. 2 on PBS stations.

Joel's tunes were enough to have Republican and Democratic congressional leaders sitting side by in the divided capital, clapping to the same beat.

Supreme Court Justice Sonya Sotomayor saluted Joel, a fellow New Yorker, for creating an enduring lyrical and musical legacy for the nation.

"For more than five decades, Billy Joel has inspired new generations of performers, musicians and singer-songwriters," she said. "Tonight we recognize Long Island's favorite son, even if he is a Mets fan."

Kevin Spacey took up the harmonica and led a rendition of "Piano Man" with the night's lineup of performers and Joel at the keyboard.

"I think even a man like Frank Underwood would be pretty excited about a night like tonight," Spacey said, referencing his familiar character from the Netflix political drama "House of Cards."

"So Billy, here's to you." Barbra Streisand, Paul Mc-

Cartney and James Taylor filmed special tributes for Joel.

At a luncheon in his honor Tuesday, Joel said he was thinking about his mother, Rosalind Joel, who died this year.

"I keep seeing this through her eyes now," he said. "She would have just gotten such a kick out of this.'

Joel's father was an accomplished classical pianist who left the family when Joel was 8, and his mother struggled to support Joel and his sister on New York's Long Island. In high school, Joel played at a piano bar to help support his family. When he didn't have enough

credits to graduate, he began his career in music.

Clive Davis signed Joel to a deal with Columbia Records in 1973, and "Piano Man" was his debut album, inspired by his real-life experiences.

Joel said some of the most exciting concerts he ever played were in 1987 when he was the first American pop star to bring a full rock concert to the Soviet Union. He didn't know if any Russians would know his songs, but he used George Gershwin's "Rhapsody in Blue" to help open the concert.

"We wanted people to know we're America. This is our stuff This is what we're going to give you," he said. "I wanted to introduce that idea. This is our music. This is who we are."

At the sound of Gershwin's famous tune, everyone in the Russian crowd relaxed a bit. "It made a big difference." Joel said. "Everything after that is somewhat anti-climactic."

By 1999, he was inducted into the Rock and Roll Hall of Fame. He continues to tour and for the past year has been performing monthly in a residency at New York City's Madison Square Garden for as long as fans will have him.

Phil Klay wins National Book Award for fiction

NEW YORK (AP)—Phil but collection of searching, satiric and often agonized stories by an Iraq war veteran, has won the National Book Award for fiction.

Klay was chosen Wednesday night over such high-profile finalists as Marilynne Robinson's "Lila" and Emily St. John Mandel's "Station Eleven." Clearly surprised and moved, Klay spoke of his work as an essential way to understand his 13 months in Iraq and the adjustment back home.

'War's too strange to be processed alone," he said, thanking readers who "decided to join the conversation."

The nonfiction prize went Klay's "Redeployment," a de- to Evan Osnos for his book on modern China, "Age of Ambition." Former U.S. poet laureate Louise Glueck's "Faithful and Virtuous Night" won for poetry, and Jacqueline Woodson's "Brown Girl Dreaming" won

> The evening started with honorary prizes being presented to literary advocate Kyle Zimmer and to science fiction-fantasy writer Ursula K. Le Guin.

for young people's literature.

The awards, in their 65th year, were announced at a Manhattan ceremony hosted by author Daniel Handler, of Lemony Snicket fame. Winners in competitive categories each received \$10,000.

Steve Carell vows not to 'play it safe anymore'

NEW YORK (AP)-Long before Steve Carell was showered in acclaim for his startling transformation into John du Pont for the true-crime drama "Foxcatcher," he was walking home from set, commiserating with co-star Mark Ruffalo.

'We both looked at each other really in agreement that the whole thing was crazy and what we were doing was so far out there," Carell recalled in a recent interview. "We both felt we were taking huge swings."

You, too, might be a tad nervous about how you'd come off if you were—like Carell—fitted with a prosthetic nose, covered in three-hours of makeup, and asked to portray, with somber severity, an increasingly psychotic, chemical empire heir with both a raging mother complex and a proclivity for sweat pants.

Bennett Miller's "Foxcatcher," in which du Pont tragically befriends Olympic wrestler brothers Mark (Channing Tatum) and Dave (Ruffalo) Schultz, certainly had the potential of failing to pin down its strangerthan-fiction tale and leave Carell flopping on the mat.

"We weren't going to go halfway with it. That would have ended up being nothing," Carell says. "We both felt very vulnerable, that it could potentially be the worst thing we'd ever done or the best, but there was little in



This image released by Sony Pictures Classics shows Mark Ruffalo, left, and Steve Carell in a scene from "Foxcatcher."

The needle has clearly swung to "best." Carell's performance has been hailed as one of the most extraordinary of the year, one immediately inducted into the rich history of comedic actors veering into dramatic territory. Carell, who was named the most outstanding performer of the year by the Santa Barbara International Film Festival, is considered a shoo-in for a best actor nomination.

most anything I've ever done," Carell said. "The fact that Bennett had faith in me to do it, that was really a reward in itself, getting that kind of affirmation from someone like that.'

director of Miller, the "Capote" and "Moneyball," was attracted to the idea of casting du Pont-who was convicted of murdering Dave Schultz on his family's 800-acre Foxcatcher estate in Pennsylvania in 1996—with not an overtly "It's definitely darker than villainous actor. Instead, he was

drawn to Carell for his unthreatening demeanor and reputation.

"I did believe in my heart that if it could work with Steve, that that would be the best for the film," says Miller. "I couldn't imagine something working better than if that could work. I did have glimpses of it in just talking to Steve about the character and hearing his commitment to do it."

Since Carell's big-screen breakthrough in "The 40-Year-Old Virgin," the 52-year-old Second City alum has regularly mixed comedy and drama in films like "Little Miss Sunshine," "Dan in Real Life" and "The Way, Way Back." But the considerable step Carell takes into darker terrain in "Foxcatcher" wasn't premeditated, the former "Office" star says.

"I didn't want to work at convincing people that I could do this," says Carell. "I just wanted to play the guy and try to do the best representation of this human being that I could. I didn't want that added sense, 'Oh, I hope people buy me in it' because people haven't necessarily seen me do this type of thing before. So I had to get past that and just do it."

Doughy, balding and speaking with a halting, presumptuous air, Carell is nearly unrecognizable as the removedfrom-reality du Pont, who in checked power of wealth and patriotism run amok.

Carell's old "Daily Show" boss, Jon Stewart (whose own drama, the film "Rosewater," reunited the two on the release calendar), says his former correspondent's gift for fleshing out a character was the same in a sketch: "He would find moments in it that you didn't know were there."

In shaping du Pont, Miller and Carell discussed Jerry Lewis' creepy stalker from "The King of Comedy," a renown dramatic pivot for the comedian. Carell cites Peter Sellers and his "Little Miss Sunshine" co-star Alan Arkin as actors he idolizes for their ability to range from broad comedy to serious drama.

Much of "Foxcatcher," for

the film is a symbol of the un- which Carell somewhat remained in character during shooting outside Pittsburgh, remains a kind of out-of-body experience for Carell.

"It's strange to talk about because it was one of those experiences that seems so isolated from the rest of my life. I feel like that was three or four months and then it was gone," he says.

But the film has clearly emboldened Carell.

"I don't want to play it safe going forward," he says. "I would rather do things that are interesting and are possibly a little bit dangerous and maybe unexpected and maybe things that are a little bit out of my comfort zone. That's an exciting thing to try. It's challenging. The experience definitely primed me for challenging myself."

Mike Love has book deal:

SHOWBIZ TIDBITS

Billboard ranking to include streams, track sales

LOS ANGELES (AP)-Billboard's chart is getting a makeover. The music industry tracker says it's transforming the Billboard 200 chart from a sales-based ranking to one that better measures music consumption. The chart currently tracks each week's top 200 albums by sales. The updated ranking will include streaming and digital track sales beginning Dec. 3. It marks the biggest update since 1991, when Nielsen's point-of-sale data was added to measure album sales. Billboard says the new methodology aims to provide a more comprehensive sense of an album's popularity, and acts like Ariana Grande and Maroon 5 are likely to benefit because their streaming and digital song sales have been outperforming their album sales.

memoir due out in 2016 **NEW YORK** (AP)—Mike Love, a founding member of the Beach Boys and lead singer on such hits as "Surfin" U.S.A." and "Little Deuce Coupe," has a book deal. Love has an agreement with Blue Rider Press for "Good Vibrations: My Life as a Beach Boy." Blue Rider, an imprint of Penguin Random House, told The Associated Press on Wednesday that the memoir is scheduled for a 2016 release. It will come out, appropriately, during the summer. "I've had an incredible life with a lot of triumphs, my share of heartbreak and some pretty amazing experiences,' Love said in a statement released through the publisher. "There are a lot of things I haven't shared before, and I'm looking forward to opening up about my life and my

Multiple fractures for Bono in NY bicycle accident

NEW YORK (AP)—An injury to U2 singer Bono after what was described by the group as a "cycling spill" left him with multiple fractures that required him to undergo two surgeries, a doctor said Wednesday.

Bono was in a "high-energy bicycle accident" when he was trying to avoid another cyclist on Sunday, orthopedic trauma surgeon Dr. Dean Lorich said in a statement from NewYorkPresbyterian/Weill Cornell Medical Center and Hospital for Special Surgery.

Bono arrived at the Manhattan hospital and underwent multiple X-rays and tests that showed he had

a facial fracture involving his left eye socket, his left shoulder blade fractured in three places and a left elbow fracture that



Bono

went through the skin and left the bone in six pieces.

Lorich said Bono underwent a five-hour surgery that included washing his elbow out, moving a trapped nerve and inserting

three plates and 18 screws on Sunday night. Bono had another surgery to repair a fracture to his left little finger on Monday.

Lorich said Bono will need therapy but a full recovery is expected.

On Sunday, U2 guitarist The Edge, bassist Adam Clayton and drummer Larry Mullen posted that "Bono has injured his arm in a cycling spill in Central Park." They said the band would have to reschedule its planned weeklong appearance on NBC's "Tonight Show" with Jimmy Fallon.

Son's sex life is exposed by unlucky coincidence

DEAR ABBY: How much interest in an adult child's sex life is normal? My mother seems obsessed.

I hooked up with a girl a couple of months ago on a Friday. She spent most of the weekend with me. We both knew it wouldn't go further than that.

It turns out she works with my mom, who by chance found out about the weekend. Mom has been interrogating her for every detail every chance she gets, and she likes to drop details into my daily life to embarrass me.

How much interest is a parent supposed to show? Mine knows my favorite position and intimate interests.

EXPOSED IN PENNSYLVANIA

DEAR EXPOSED: It seems your mother is not only nosy, but also has a sadistic sense of humor. She's getting a kick out of embarrassing you.

Tell her to lay off because what she's doing is inappropriate, and it's making you uncomfortable. If she can't respect your wishes, then realize it's time you put some distance between you and Mama. And to prevent this from happening in the future, find out more about the chicks you hook up with because this last one sings like a bird.

DEAR ABBY: The holidays will soon be here, and so will something that may seem petty, but really irks me. My friends have a large home with plenty of room, so they usually host the holiday dinners. We—the guests—supply a few side dishes to accompany the meal. I usually bring several "sides" because I like to cook and

My problem is presentation. I bring my sides in nice casserole dishes and do my best to make them look appealing. Because I'm not particularly artistic, it takes some effort. When I arrive with the food, my hosts unceremoniously dump it into disposable num containers, wash my dishes and put them aside.

I hope I don't sound picky, but even when I have asked that the items be served in the dishes I brought, the hosts say, "Oh, this is easier." I have said I don't mind bringing home dirty dishes, but my wishes are ignored. Am I being petty?

FRUSTRATED GUEST IN NEW YORK

DEAR FRUSTRATED: I don't think your feelings are petty. Having put as much effort as you have into making the food you're preparing look as appetizing as possible, it's understandable. However, because this is a recurring annoyance, consider preparing this year's contributions in disposable aluminum pans. That way, your creations won't be "dumped."

DEAR ABBY: My wife is a neatnik who always finds extra or unexpected things to do before meeting me at the car, in the TV room, etc. It means I always must wait for her before going anyplace.

I have asked her a thousand times to avoid doing "one last thing"

DEAR ABBY

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before coming to meet me. How can I appeal to her better nature to avoid tending to every tiny detail before joining me? Or am I being too impatient?

WAITING FOR YOUR ANSWER

work in this book.

DEAR WAITING: I'm sorry, but I can't give you an unbiased answer because I am guilty of the same thing, and it makes my husband crazy, too. (I suspect your wife and I are not the only women who do this.)

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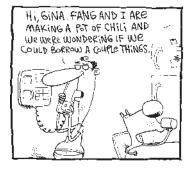
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CELEBRITIES BORN ON THIS DAY: Carly Rae Jepsen, 29; Jena Malone, 30; Michael Stra-

Happy Birthday: Sign up and take over. Put your heart into whatever you choose to fight for. You can make a difference if you are willing to go the distance and make your voice heard. What you learn by being a participant will add to your knowledge and expertise for future projects and lifestyle choices. Personal growth is within reach. Your numbers are 4, 9, 16, 21, 26, 35, 46.

han, 43; Goldie Hawn, 69.

ARIES (March 21-April 19): Spend time and money on your surroundings.

The more comfortable and entertaining your home is, the easier it will be to entice others to visit. Investments, contracts or settlements are encouraged. Don't undersell what you have to offer. OOO

TAURUS (April 20-May 20): Ask questions and take action. Don't share your plans. Surprising everyone will give you the upper hand. A short business trip will generate money, but don't go over budget, or it will be

a wash. Get the most for the least. ••• GEMINI (May 21-June 20): Don't slack, or you will ruin your weekend. You will benefit if you do your work according to instructions. Venturing off course is not advisable. Finish what you start and make plans to enjoy socializing and the comforts of home. OOO

CANCER (June 21-July 22): Use your

lead to an interesting purchase that allows you to show off your expertise in an unusual way. Gather information that will make you more ap-

pealing. OOOOO

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22): Don't expect to get favors or get along with the people you live with. Problems with contractors, aging parents or children are likely. Listen to grievances, but don't agree to something that is costly or unrealistic. Keep the peace.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22): Make plans to get involved in your community or socialize with friends. Experience will help you gain insight into a troubled situation, and sharing information will help you make an important decision. Don't let someone's ulterior

motives fool you. ❖❖❖❖ LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22): You'll be forced to make a move or a decision. Don't wait until your choices are limited. Check into every possibility and take action. Don't count on anyone to do things for you. Stay cool, stick to your budget and move forward. ���

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21): Express your thoughts and plans. Consider ways to improve your home and family life. Don't let someone from your past disrupt what you have worked so hard to build. A short trip or attending a reunion will promote an unexpected change.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21): Having too little information is making it

difficult to decide your next move. Back away from anyone pressuring you. You need **EUGENIA** THE LAST WORD

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time to think, reflect and decide what you want and need in your life. QQQ

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19): You are in a good position to negotiate, and as long as you are reasonable, you will excel. Updating your look will play in your favor. Participate in an industry event. Physical activity will help you blow off steam. 2000

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18): Choose your words carefully. Someone will be hurt your words carefully. Someone if you are too critical. Truth isn't always the best choice, so keep your opinions to yourself if you think they will be hurtful. Be supportive, affectionate and willing to compromise. ••

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20): Caution should be taken when it comes to sharing what you know or want to do. Don't trust anyone unless a waiver is signed. There is money to be made if you negotiate smartly. Don't promise more than you can deliver. **2000**

Birthday Baby: You are possessive and strongminded. You are persuasive and challenging.

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By Dave Green

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Sudoku is a number-placing puzzle based on a 9x9 grid with several given numbers. The object is to place the numbers 1 to 9 in the empty squares so that each row, each column and each 3x3 box contains the same number only once. The difficulty level of the Conceptis Sudoku increases from Monday to Saturday.

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Wonderword By DAVID OUELLET

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LeBron commits costly error; Spurs nip Cavs

CLEVELAND (AP)—Out of timeouts, LeBron James had no choice but to hurry up the floor. With the clock ticking down, James tried to dribble behind his

back and had the ball-and game—bounce away.

The San Antonio Spurs stopped him again.

Tim Duncan and Boris Diaw scored 19 points apiece and the defending NBA champions beat Cleveland for the 10th straight time with a 92-90 win over James and the Cavaliers on Wednesday night

Manu Ginobili scored on a layup with 18 seconds left, made a free throw with 9.1 to go and harassed James into a turnover with 1.9 seconds remaining for the defending NBA champions. It was the first meeting between the Spurs and James since last June, when San Antonio overpowered the Miami Heat in the NBA Finals.

Anderson Varejao scored 23 points, Kyrie Irving added 20 and James 15 for the Cavs, who fell to 5-5.

James was just 6 of 17 from the field and Kevin Love went 4 of 12. After Ginobili missed his free throw, James tried to rush the ball up the floor for a possible game-tying basket but lost control near mid-court.

Varejao scored nine points in a 3-minute stretch to give Cleveland an 86-85 lead. But Duncan scored inside and fed Ginobili underneath for a bucket with 17.7 seconds left to put the Spurs up 91-88.

Irving's two free throws got the Cavs within 91-90.

Bucks 122, Nets 118, 30T

In New York, The Milwaukee Bucks overcame Brandon Knight's shocking missed layup at the end of the first overtime to outlast the Nets in coach Jason Kidd's return to Brooklyn.

Knight made the tying 3-pointer in the second overtime and the clinching free throws with 5.6 seconds to go in the third, allowing the Bucks to leave with a victory that he should've provided much sooner.

Rookie Jabari Parker scored a season-high 23 points, O.J. Mayo added 21, and Knight and Giannis Antetokounmpo each had 18 for the Bucks, who won their third straight.

Brook Lopez scored a season-best 26 points for the Nets, who have dropped five in a row.

Ersan Ilyasova and Khris Middleton each made two baskets in the third overtime for the Bucks, whose players celebrated with hugs for Knight, who still looked a little dazed when it ended.

Raptors 96, Grizzlies 92

In Toronto, DeMar DeRozan scored 21 points, Terrence Ross had 14 of his 16 in the fourth quarter and Toronto beat the un-



dermanned Memphis Grizzlies.

Kyle Lowry scored 18 and Lou Williams had 13 as the Eastern Conference leaders won for the seventh time in eight games.

Marc Gasol had 22 points and 12 rebounds, and Zach Randolph added 18 points and 18 rebounds for the Grizzlies (10-2), who came in with the NBA's best record but had their fourgame winning streak stopped.

Mike Conley scored 19 points and Tayshaun Prince added 15 for Memphis, which had just 10 active players.

Lakers 98, Rockets 92

In Houston, Kobe Bryant had 29 points, Wesley Johnson made key free throws down the stretch and Los Angeles took advantage of Dwight Howard's absence in a victory over Houston.

It was the second consecutive win for the Lakers following a

Los Angeles used a 7-1 run, highlighted by Bryant's threepoint play and capped by four free throws from Johnson, to take a 94-92 lead with less than a minute left. Nick Young and Bryant added two free throws apiece to secure the victory.

Tarik Black, a rookie who was filling in for the injured Howard (strained right knee), missed a free throw and a jump shot down the stretch. James Harden led the Rockets with 24 points.

Suns 88, Pistons 86

In Auburn Hills, Eric Bledsoe scored 18 points, including the winning basket with 28.7 seconds to play, to lift Phoenix.

P.J. Tucker added 16 points for the Suns, who have won four of their last six.

Brandon Jennings scored 19 points to lead Detroit, losers of three straight and six of seven.

Kentavious Caldwell-Pope's

3-pointer with about 40 seconds left put the Pistons ahead 86-85 before the Suns regained the lead on Bledsoe's driving layup. Jerebko tried to drive, but the Suns knocked the ball out of bounds with 11.7 seconds left.

Jennings had his shot blocked and Caldwell-Pope missed a 3-pointer before Bledsoe made 1 of 2 from the line with 1.3 seconds left.

Mavericks 105, Wizards 102

In Washington, Dirk Nowitzki limped off to the locker room after a fourth-quarter fall, then returned to make a key 3-pointer, and Monta Ellis scored 24 of his 34 points in the first half to lead Dallas past Washington for its fifth straight win.

Nowitzki went down in the key with about eight minutes left after twisting his left ankle. But he came back in with $3 \frac{1}{2}$ minutes to go and Dallas trailing by a point. With 80 seconds left, Nowitzki sank a 3 to put the Mavs ahead 102-97.

Washington lost at home for the first time this season, despite Bradley Beal's first action following left wrist surgery.

Beal was terrific, too, leading Washington with 21 points, and even drawing a charge on Ellis with about 30 seconds to go. But with a chance to tie the game, John Wall missed a 3-pointer at the other end. Ellis then made two free throws to push Dallas' edge to five points.

Nuggets 107, **Thunder 100**

In Denver, Wilson Chandler had 21 points, including a key 3-pointer late in the game, and Timofey Mozgov finished with a season-high 17 to lift Denver over Oklahoma City.

Ty Lawson added 15 points

and 15 assists for the Nuggets, who returned home following a 2-1 trip that included a win over LeBron James and the Cavaliers.

Serge Ibaka had 22 points and 13 rebounds for Oklahoma City, with reigning NBA MVP Kevin Durant (broken right foot) and All-Star guard Russell Westbrook (broken right hand) on the bench in suits. The Thunder have dropped four straight.

Celtics 101, 76ers 90

In Philadelphia, Brandon Bass scored 23 points, Jared Sullinger added 22 and Boston sent Philadelphia to its 11th straight loss to start the season.

Rajon Rondo had 13 assists with nine points, and Jeff Green chipped in 11 points for the Celtics, who snapped a threegame losing streak.

Tony Wroten led five 76ers in double figures with 21 points. Philadelphia is seven defeats from tying the 2009-10 Nets for the worst start in NBA history.

Three of Philadelphia's 19 wins last season came against

Clippers 114, Magic 90

In Florida, Jamal Crawford had 22 points, and Chris Paul added 16 points and nine assists as the Clippers beat the Magic.

Blake Griffin scored 20 points, and Jordan Farmar and Matt Barnes each had 13 as the Clippers opened a seven-game East Coast trip with an easy victory.

Pacers 88, Hornets 86

In Indianapolis, Solomon Hill tipped in a miss by Rodney Stuckey as time expired, and the Pacers overcame an early 18-point deficit to beat the Hornets.

Hill finished with six points. Roy Hibbert had 18 points and 11 rebounds as the Pacers spoiled Lance Stephenson's first trip back to Indianapolis since signing with Charlotte in July.

Luis Scola contributed 15 points and seven rebounds for

Stephenson had 10 points, eight rebounds and seven assists. Al Jefferson added 28 San Antonio Spurs' Tim Duncan. center, is surrounded by Cleveland Cavaliers' LeBron James, left, and Kevin Love during the fourth guarter of an NBA basketball game Wednesday, Nov. 19, 2014, in Cleveland. The Spurs defeated the Cavaliers ,92-90.

points and eight rebounds. Kemba Walker was the only other Hornets player in double figures with 12 points.

Timberwolves 115, Knicks 99

In Minneapolis, Kevin Martin shook off an illness to score 37 points, and the Timberwolves, missing three starters, beat the Knicks.

Martin tied a career high with seven 3-pointers and Shabazz Muhammad had 17 points and eight rebounds for the Wolves, who were missing Ricky Rubio, Thaddeus Young and Nikola Pekovic. Rubio and Pekovic were out because of injuries and Young was away because of the death of his mother.

Carmelo Anthony had 20 points and Amare Stoudemire added 19 for the Knicks. But New York had nothing else on the second night of a back-to-back following a loss in Milwaukee.

Anthony and Stoudemire combined to shoot 14 of 19 and the rest of the Knicks were just 20 for 50.

Frustrated Vikings drop hope of Peterson return



(AP)—Adrian Peterson's last appearance in the Minne-

sota locker room was nearly 10 weeks ago. The Vikings have played all but one game this season without his swift and strong running ability.

Optimism for his return remained among Peterson's teammates, particularly following his plea agreement earlier this month that freed him from the court system with only a misdemeanor charge and probation requirements.

The hope, now, has vanished.

"We know now he's not coming through those doors I'll stay in touch. I'm praying and coming back this year to be on our team," cornerback Captain Munnerlyn said Wednesday, the day after the NFL gave Peterson a suspension without pay for at least the rest of the season. "We're kind of hurt that he's not, but we knew it was kind of coming, so we just have to move on."

Commissioner Roger Goodell ruled Peterson violated the personal conduct policy for the severe injuries to his 4-year-old son he acknowledged to authorities occurred from corporal punishment with a wooden switch.

Even if Peterson were to

MINNEAPOLIS shorten his suspension with a successful appeal, the Vikings actually using him yet this year would be an implausible scenario given the heat they took for initially reinstating him to the roster. Then add in the long time Peterson has been away from practices and meetings, let alone games.

"I guess it is a sense of knowing that it is over with. Kind of, I guess, puts people at ease. It's not what we wanted, but at the same time we hope that he gets another shot," running back Jerick McKinnon said. "Great player, great mentor, and I'll still look up to him. for him, hoping for the best.

The Vikings have six games left and host the Green Bay Packers on Sunday.

"We can't have a dark cloud over our facility or over our team," quarterback Teddy Bridgewater said, adding: "We would love to have him, but it's out of our hands."

Coach Mike Zimmer addressed the Peterson situation with the players Wednesday

"I support him and his family and he's been great with me, but other than that ... we've got to move forward. It's just the way life is," Zimmer said.

Stanton signs record \$325M deal with Marlins



MIAMI (AP)— Giancarlo Stanton stood on the Miami Marlins' field

Wednesday and scanned a sea of empty seats, mindful the stands look much the same at games.

He had just signed a record \$325 million, 13-year contract and conceded he wasn't certain he should have agreed to the deal.

"There was no 100 percent sure answer," Stanton said. "But the decision is made. Once you make your decision, you go all-in with it."

The slugger hit the jackpot, landing the most lucrative contract for an American athlete and the longest in baseball history. Stanton accepted the deal after cost-conscious owner Jeffrey Loria pledged to put together a contending team that will finally transform Miami into a baseball town.

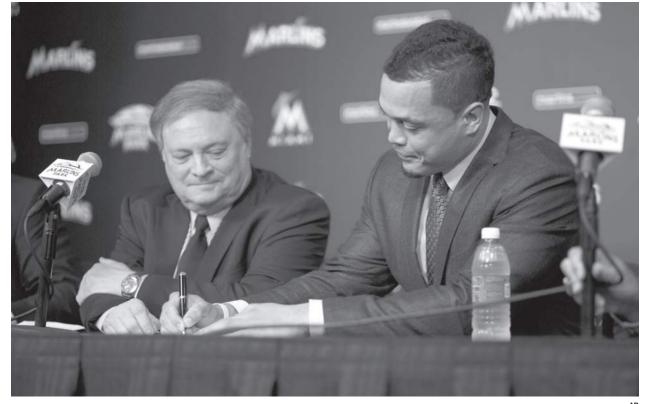
Stanton and South Florida have heard such talk before.

"You can't keep saying, 'We're going to win this year. We're going to do it this year,'" Stanton said. "I'm sick of hearing that. Everyone is sick of hearing that. It's doing something about it."

At a news conference, Loria said signing Stanton is part of a long-range plan that began with the Marlins' most recent payroll purge two years ago.

"Our goal was to start fresh," Loria said. "It wasn't popular, but we had to do it. We wanted to create a long-term system around young players who would build their entire career with us."

General manager Dan Jennings said the team plans to pursue multiyear contracts this offseason with several other



Miami Marlins baseball team owner Jeffrey Loria, left, watches as Giancarlo Stanton signs his record \$325 million, 13-year contract at a news conference Wednesday, Nov. 19, 2014, in Miami. The contract is the most lucrative for an American athlete and the longest in baseball history.

young players, including right hander Jose Fernandez, center fielder Marcell Ozuna, left fielder Christian Yelich and shortstop Adeiny Hechavarria.

Such deals will be possible for the historically low-payroll franchise only because of the way Stanton's contract is structured. He readily agreed to a heavily backloaded agreement, and will make just \$6.5 million in 2015, the same as this year. His salary doesn't peak until 2023, when

he'll make \$32 million.

The agreement wouldn't have happened without such structuring, team president David Samson said. He said the Marlins anticipate better attendance and a more lucrative TV package will make Stanton's contract affordable.

Loria wants to be around for the franchise turnaround. His popularity with fans has plummeted in recent years, but he has no plans to sell the team, Samson said.

"He's in it with Miami for the long run, because he loves it," Samson said.

While Kevin Brown was the first player to break the \$100 million barrier in 1998 and Alex Rodriguez became the first to top \$200 million just two years later, it took 14 more years to produce baseball's first \$300 million man.

Stanton did a double take when asked if the amount of deal was embarrassing to him.

"Embarrassing to me? Not exactly,"

he said. "I know I have a lot of expectations to live up to, which I need to do and am willing to do. This isn't like a lottery ticket. This is the start of new work and a new job. It's a huge responsibility, and one I'm willing to take."

Stanton took the podium for his news conference wearing a tailored blue suit and a grin, showing no signs of the beaning that ended his season Sept. 11. He hasn't hit a ball since but said he'll return to the batting cage beginning in mid-December in his native California.

"I'll probably take a moment before I get into that box, but it'll be good," he said. "I'm excited for it."

The Marlins said they're not concerned the injuries will have lingering effects.

Stanton, who turned 25 on Nov. 8, wasn't due to become eligible for free agency until after the 2016 season. When negotiations on his mega-deal began, Stanton said he was more concerned about the front office's plans for improving the roster than about his financial terms.

Despite 154 home runs from Stanton, the Marlins have finished with a losing record in each of his five seasons, including three last-place finishes.

"They had the contract there, and I put it aside and said, 'Listen, what are we going to do to make this better?' I'm financially good for the rest of my life. Great. But I'm not coming here to get my butt kicked for 10 hours every day and then going home to a lavish lifestyle. That's not fun for me."

He said he didn't seek advice from players on other teams about whether to accept the Marlins' offer.



KFC noses out Rollers A in U18 caging, 62-60

By ROSELYN B. MONROYO roselyn_monroyo@saipantribune.com

Kentucky Fried Chicken ended its regular season campaign in the U18 division of the 2014 BANMI Youth League with a close 62-60 win over Rollers A yesterday at the Gilbert C. Ada Gymnasium.

WIlfredo Francisco converted a corner triple to lift KFC to the 2-point win, the team's second straight, as it also came from a 64-51 triumph against the Ol'Aces last Tuesday. KFC finished the round-robin regular season with a 4-3 record and could get one more win if its scheduled game against the CNMI Girls Nationals also last Tuesday will

be counted in the standings. League officials have yet to decide if the victories other participating teams recorded against the Girls Nationals, who pulled out late in the tournament, will be tabulated.

backbreaking Francisco's triple came after Mike Arciaga also hit a shot from downtown on the other end and gave Rollers A the one-point cushion, 60-59. The Rollers A had a chance to regain the lead as it was left with 11 seconds to orchestrate a play after Francisco's trey. However, Dixon Kwon chopped off some time on the ticking clock, as he stole an inbound pass before being caught stepping on the baseline. The Rollers A reclaimed possession,

but ran out of time to pull up for a shot.

Francisco finished the tight game in double figures with his 11 points, backing up the 19 of Shane Deleon Guerrero. Jethro Cruz and Kwon added 9 apiece, while Prince Factor paced Rollers A with his 13 points. Arciaga chipped in 12, while Emerson Feria contributed 11.

KFC 62 – Deleon Guerrero 19, Francisco 11, Kwon 9, Cruz 9, Darag 5, Feria 3, Borromeo 2. Rollers A 60 – Factor 13, Arciaga 12, Feria 11, Malonzo 4, Camacho 3, Iglecias 3, Babauta 1. Scoring by quarters: 12-15, 23-26, 44-45, 62-60.

LEINA

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and operates Sun Palace Hotel beside the Oleai Sports Complex.

Kim has also put in 100 percent of her effort with school-work and tries to catch up with her classes after almost two months of playing golf.

"It is very hard to actually keep up with school and golf during season. You have to constantly keep in touch with your professors, so you can turn in all your work on time, or reschedule exams before or after a tournament," said Kim.

"Thankfully, our season ended early, which gives us plenty time to catch up on studying. There is a lot of self-teaching when you travel as much as we do."

Despite the offseason, she still finds time to keep in shape by hitting the golf courses and engaging in other activities.

"I also practice every once in a while when I have the time. I've also participated in intramural volleyball where we placed third in the recreational league," added Kim, a four-time RMAC Golfer of the Week this season.

Kim said that she wants to enjoy her last two years at CSU-Pueblo and has not really decided what to do once she graduates.

"At the moment, I still do not know what I want to do after I graduate. I have an extra year left, and I may have to pick up a minor for school. As for now, becoming a professional is something I have in mind."

Teammate Julie Sanchez is the only one graduating for CSU-Pueblo after this season, leaving the team intact with Kim, Danielle DuPont, Natasha Navarro, Samantha Geisick, and Megan McCutcheon still on the roster. Courtney Ewing and Tori Goodman will be the new additions next season.

MISO

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were hardly challenged by their opponents. SIS and MHS are the defending champions in the boys volleyball and girls basketball, respectively.

Games will start at 10am and will run up to 2:30pm in the boys volleyball and 3:30pm in girls basketball on Friday with the first matches on Saturday beginning at 8am.

The varsity teams of Grace Christian Academy, Mt. Carmel School, Tinian High School, MHS, Marianas Baptist Academy, Saipan Southern High School, Kagman High School and MHS junior varsity, in that order, complete the final standings in the boys volleyball.

The first game in the boys volleyball will have KHS taking on MHS JV, while the GCA-SSHS match is next. MCS faces MBA at 11am, while THS bat-

tles MHS in the next game, in other matches.

SIS, which drew a bye in the first round, will play the winner of the first match at 12nn, while the victors of the GCA-SSHS and MCS-MBA matches will clash at the same time.

In the girls basketball, MHS drew a bye and is scheduled to play its first match at 4pm. The opening game will have Mt. Carmel colliding against MHS JV with the Lady Knights expected to repeat their two lopsided wins in the elimination round against their opponents. Saipan Southern faces Kagman at 11:30am, while Tinian meets MHS 9 at 1pm, in the other games.

The winners of the first two morning games will clash in the 2:30pm match, while MHS will play the winner of the THS-MHS 9 contest. The losers of the SSHS-KHS and THS-MHS 9 meet at 5:30pm.

KANOA

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the first two in the opening 45 minutes of the match, while Chevy Kate Alipio added one to lift Tan Holdings to a 3-1 advantage. Amy Furnare was the lone IFC player to hit the board in the first half and her team failed to counter the two more goals Alferos logged in the second half.

The loss was IFC's second in a row after winning its debut against Matansa FC.

Matansa also absorbed its second defeat in three games, as

Kanoa FC notched a 4-1 win in their match last weekend.

Lalaine Pagarao led Kanoa's victory, making a hat-trick in the final match of the night. She hit back-to-back goals in the first half and also scored Kanoa's last goal. Mariebell Aldan registered Kanoa's other goal in the second half, while Bernadette Horey put Matansa in the board with her goal in final frame, too.

Kanoa improved its record to 3-1 for solo second place in the team standings behind the unbeaten and idle Shirley's FC (3-0).

MVF

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Game 2, and posted 16 in the deciding Game 3 win, 91-83.

The long-time guard provided stability in Shirley's game when MBI made a rally in the fourth quarter. He then tried bringing Shirley's back into contention in Game 2 after they trailed by as much as 18, but fell short. In Game 3, he broke in double figures right at the end of the first half to keep Shirley's afloat before the rest of his teammates took over in the second.

Esdrelon was not the top fa-

vorite for the Finals MVP plum. Burly forward Matt Duenas was. However, *Saipan Tribune* learned that Duenas lost in the race due to an unsportsmanlike conduct in Game 2 after a headbutt on Angelo Fernando, who pushed the former's teammate Ariel Drillon to the sidelines in front of Shirley's bench in a battle for the loose ball.

Despite failing to get the Finals MVP award, Duenas still went home with an individual trophy as he made it to the Mythical Five, joining De Leon, MBI/Anchor's Ivan De Vero, Joeten's Alex Lauron, and PSS' Jerry Diaz.



De Leon, Esdrelon bring home MVP awards

By ROSELYN B. MONROYO roselyn_monroyo@saipantribune.com



Joeten's Kevin De Leon and Shirley's Coffee Shop's Elmer Esdrelon were handed the MVP trophies during the awards ceremony for the 2014

JP World Corp. Customer Appreciation Basketball League last Monday night at the Gillette Multipurpose Gymnasium.

Deleon won the regular season MVP plum, while Esdrelon took the Finals MVP trophy.

De Leon did an impressive quarterbacking job for Joeten and although assists were not officially recorded during the round-robin regular season, he averaged at least six in every match. He was also the most consistent scorer for this team, averaging 19.1 points per game.

The Joeten guard hit double figures in seven of their eight games. De Leon started the tournament with an 8-point per-

formance in their opening day loss to Micronesian Brokers, Inc. before gaining his shooting touch and maintaining it in the last seven matches. He registered his best offensive game in their last regular season match, sizzling for 31 points against cellar-dweller Top Development, Inc.

With Deleon on top of his form, Joeten managed to win six of its last seven games after dropping its opener and gained one of the two automatic semis berths in the inaugural league. Joeten was then paired with the unbeaten Shirley's in the semifinals and lost to settle for the third place finish, as the former later downed Public School System, 78-71, in the consolation match with De Leon leading his team with 22 points.

Meanwhile, in the best-ofthree finals showdown between Shirley's and MBI/ Anchor, Esdrelon also averaged in double figures in three games. He had 23 markers in



ROSELYN B. MONRO

Shirley's Coffee Shop and Finals MVP Elmer Esdrelon, right, poses for a photo with JP World league commissioner Marlon Sison during the awards ceremony last Monday at the Gillette Multipurpose Gymnasium.

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JP World owner Jimmy Pascual, left, awards the regular season MVP trophy to Joeten's Kevin De Leon last Monday at the Gillette Multipurpose Gymnasium.

their 89-80 win in Game 1, tallied 29 in the 89-93 loss in

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7 Japanese pros to join Sunday's Chagi Cup

By JON PEREZ

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Seven pros from Japan will join 30 other local wakeboarders in the Chagi Cup 2014 set this Sunday at the J&K Marine Sports wakeboarding course in Susupe.

The one-day tournament will have the team event, composed of 6 to 7 players, in the morning and the individual competition in the afternoon. The awards ceremony will take place at around 6pm.

Osawa Hyouga and Takamura Taiga are the riders to watch after winning competitions in Japan and the U.S.

Hyouga is the reigning twotime Japan Wakeboarding Association boys' champion and last year's Chagi Cup middle men's winner. He also won the Tokyo Odaiba Cable Wake beginner last month.

Taiga, meanwhile, placed third in the Wake Games junior boys' category in the U.S. and fourth in the World Championship. He is also a two-time All Japan winner and finished third in the 2014 World Wake Games.

The annual tournament began in 2000 and run until 2009 before being shelved from 2010 to 2012 after direct flights from Osaka and Nagoya to Saipan were cancelled.

Tournament organizer Kimiko Deleon Guerrero said a lot of his friends and wakeboarders from Japan asked her to revive the event last year.

"I believe the Chagi Cup will attract more Japanese wakeboarders to visit Saipan. I hope that someday Saipan will be branded as a wakeboard Mecca since it is closest to Japan," said Deleon Guerrero.

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A Japanese wakeboarder tries to keep his balance during the earlier Chagi Cup.

Dolang Team leads winners in spearfishing tourney



Dolang Team ruled the 7th Annual Marianas Apnea Club Tournament

Spearfishing Club Tournament held early this month in the waters off Saipan.

The group that had three members in Dennis Pua and Joe and Luis Cepeda earned a total catch of 50.34 to beat seven other teams in the annual tournament. Dolang Team prevailed over Morita Asai, Greg Sasamoto, and Ton Tenorio's Bantalan Team, which collected only 46.46 lbs. Bantalan Team edged Team Kolbe, which tal-

lied 34.18 lbs. Frank Villagomez and Jimber Marcelo were Team Kolber's members.

Completing the list of entries in the Nov. 8 tournament were Tiger Team of Guo Liang, Cheng Sheng Qian, Mark Hapdei (30.50lbs); Trench Divers of Abraham Quitugua, Jr., J.R. Brel, and Joshua Villagomez (20.58lbs); Salty Boys' Manuel Degracia, David Lizama, and Roman Camacho (9.88lbs); MASC's Felix Sasamoto and Norman Camacho (5.20lbs); and The Things' Ton Robert, Dave Camacho, and Ton Manibusan (5.10lbs).

Besides the total weight category, the tournament also held competitions in the heaviest single catch and rudder fish. Asai landed the heaviest rudder at 2.98lbs, while Liang got the heaviest single catch at 7.56lbs.

Meanwhile, MASC president Felix Sasamoto said next year's tournament will revert to its old schedule—sometime in May.

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Leina to help CSU-Pueblo retain title

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aipan's Leina Kim is hoping to help the Colorado State University-Pueblo Lady ThunderWolves repeat as Rocky Mountain Athletic Conference champions in the NCAA Division II.

The Lady ThunderWolves, who are also champions in the 2011-2012 season, are the reigning RMAC titlists. The Lady Thunder-Wolves aimed for



foiled by the Western New Mexico University Mustangs in the 2012-2013 season.

Kim, last season, also bagged

her second RMAC back-to-back crowns, but was Golfer of the Year award to

become the first golfer in CSU-Pueblo history to earn All-America honors. She won three individual tournaments last year.

"I want to gain that RMAC championship again, as a team and individually. I want our team to be recognized as one of the competitors to the title and a threat to other schools," said Kim in an email to the Saipan

The CSU-Pueblo Business Management junior, who also earned a spot on the NCAA Division II regionals, ruled four of the five tournaments last season, making her one of the players to watch when play resumes next

She said that she tries not to think about all the pressure of being the target of other players next spring.

"All I want to do is play my game and have fun doing it. But when I do feel stressed out about everything, talking to my mom calms me down and she helps me feel pumped up for the game," said Kim, whose mother Shirley owns

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Leina Kim receives her trophy after winning the West Texas A&M Lady Buff Invitational last month.



All set for MISO v'ball, basketball tourneys

By JON PEREZ

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Sports Organization will simultaneously hold the tournament finale of the boys volleyball and girls basketball leagues this weekend in separate venues.

Games in the boys volleyball will be held at the Marianas High School Gymnasium this Friday and Saturday, while the girls basketball matches will be played at the TSL Gillette Multipurpose Gymnasium today and at the Gilbert C. Ada Gymnasium

Saipan International School varsity blew past its rivals to go undefeated in the boys volleyball, while MHS V duplicated the feat in the girls' basketball as the Lady Dolphins

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Saipan International School's Andrew Johnson serves against Kagman High School during a regular season game in the MISO boys volleyball league at the Marianas High School Gymnasium.

Kanoa FC, Tan Holdings ease past foes

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The Women's M-League returned to action last Saturday at the Oleai Sports Complex

Field with three teams easing their way to victories.

Tan Holdings FC registered the first win at the resumption of the league, which did not hold games last Nov. 1 and 8 in observance of the All Saints Day and due to the unplayable pitch. Tan Holdings cruised to a 5-1 win over Independents FC for the former's second win in three games. Tan Holdings other match (against Matansa FC on Oct. 25) ended in a draw.

Mary Kay Alferos powered Tan Holdings to the easy victory, scoring four goals in the one-sided match. She posted the

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Independents FC's Nola Hix, right, and a Tan Holdings FC player chase the ball during the second half of their game in the Women's M-League last Saturday at the Oleai Sports Complex Field.